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SUMMARY.

Europeans at Casablanca, on the west coast of Morocco, have been massacred by native tribesmen, who invaded the town.

The Kabyles proclaimed a holy war. The tribes, having killed a number of people, pillaged the European shops.

The tramway workshops were destroyed. Many workmen were killed, and their bodies mutilated.

The French Government has taken measures to assist foreigners at Casablanca in case of need.

The fourth committee of the Hague Conference has adopted the British proposal abolishing contraband of war.

Earl Beauchamp has been appointed Lord Steward in succession to the Earl of Liverpool.

The Secretary to the Admiralty stated that the British flotilla of torpedo-boat destroyers was superior to any foreign flotilla.

The further construction of large armoured cruisers was not required immediately in view of Britain's superiority in this class.

Attention was, therefore, being directed to the evolution of a new type of cruiser.

The "Times" emphasises that in regard to cruisers we are on the eve of a new departure.

During the debate in the House of Lords on maritime defence, Lord Brassey complained that the reasonable demands of the colonies had not been granted.

He added that the motherland ought to supply large cruisers and ocean destroyers for the protection of Australian trade.

Lord Tweedmouth, First Lord of the Admiralty, denied that colonial interests had been neglected.

Mr. Winston Churchill states that the delay in proclaiming the New Hebrides convention is due to complicated legal questions.

Admiral Idjuin says that the Japanese have enough to do in Korea and Manchuria, and have no desire to interfere in the Philippines or Indo-China.

He expressed most friendly sentiments towards the United States, which he regarded as a financial Colossus.

Sir Charles Dilke is convinced that the proposed all-red mail route to Australia is impracticable.

Strikes in sympathy with the Belfast dockers and carters are expected in other towns in Ireland.

Insubordination in the police force of Belfast is steadily increasing.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council has allowed the appeal of the plaintiff in the case of the Attorney-General (N.S.W.) v the Curator of Intestate Estates.

The Judicial Committee has also allowed with costs the appeal of the Lyttelton "Times" Company in its action with Warners.

The death is announced of Mr. Joseph Hatton, novelist and journalist, aged 66.

Invitations to join the English cricket team to visit Australia under the captaincy of A. O. Jones have been issued to eight leading players.

They are T. Hayward, J. T. Tyldesley, L. C. Braund, J. Humphries, C. Blythe, G. H. Hirst, E. Arnold, and A. A. Lilley.

The test match South Africa versus England resulted in a win for England by 53 runs.

The publication of the report of Mr. Rooke, city electrical engineer, has caused a great stir at the Town Hall.

Some aldermen declare that, generally speaking, the allegations of a disorganised service are without foundation.

A special inquiry is to be held into the question of discipline in the city electrical engineer's department.

The Minister for Works has promised to obtain a report upon the suggested extension of the tram service to Potts Point.

Mr. Lee says that if the City Council took over the Rocks area it could widen George-street near the Quay to 80ft.

The coal-lumping free labourers complain that the new agreement is not being carried out in its true spirit.

They have decided to form an association for their mutual benefit, and also to open a bureau of employment.

The Chief Railway Commissioner has arranged a scheme for relieving the congestion in the railway goods traffic at Darling Harbour.

The defendants in the case in which Robert Campbell obtained a verdict with £500 damages, in respect of a lift accident, were refused a rule nisi for a new trial.

A pathetic incident in the case is that since the initiation of the proceedings the plaintiff has become blind.

The statement of the Premier in regard to the dearth of workers is denied by the labour unions.

It is said there is a surplus of unskilled labour.

Colliery managers assert that 1000 extra miners will be required in the Newcastle and Maitland districts during the next 12 months.

The debate on the second reading of the Transcontinental Railway Survey Bill was resumed in the Senate by Senator Millen.

Senator Neild, who opposed the bill, contended that freights and fares could not be made cheaper by the proposed line.

The passage of the bill is assured, with no less than three votes to spare.

Mr. William Cope, who recently returned from Northern Queensland, is keenly alive to the menace of the Asiatic races.

"What we want," he says, is to "peg out our claim"—show the hungry nations that we are at least occupying the vast territory in some sort.

The members of the Tariff Commission entertained the chairman (Sir John Quick) at dinner, in honour of the completion of their work.

Sir John Quick said the labours of the Commission would be of great assistance to Parliament in formulating the tariff.

The birth rate for July was very satisfactory, being the highest experienced during July for over 10 years.

The mortality rate was extremely unfavourable, being 18 per cent. higher than the mean rate for July during the previous five years.

Sir James Graham will contest the Surry Hills seat in the Liberal interest.

A split has occurred in the ranks of the Art Society, and a new body has been formed to control and assist professional art.

Major Luscombe considers that in point of efficiency our troops more than hold their own as compared with the Indian militia.

Strong comments were made by the Coroner in Melbourne on the refusal of two doctors to attend a case because another medical man had been engaged.

Mr. W. H. Skidmore, superintendent of the Golden Contact Mines, Lucknow, died suddenly yesterday while writing a letter.

Heavy rains have fallen in Western Australia. The greater part of the town of Wagin was inundated.

Railway traffic was in places suspended, and washaways occurred at many points.

The New Zealand professional Rugby team for England will assemble in Sydney, where three matches will be played.

The Senate has carried a motion that it is expedient to adopt a machine for voting purposes at Parliamentary elections.

The new award in respect of shop assistants, if made a common rule, will mean a difference of £60,000 a year in the pockets of the workers.

About 100ft of a large ship's deck has been sighted 90 miles north-east of Double Island Point, on the Queensland coast.

The wreckage is in the direct track of shipping.

Mr. S. H. Lambton, formerly Deputy Postmaster-General, died rather suddenly at Drummoyne yesterday.

A good volume of business was recorded on 'Change yesterday at firmer prices.

Copper is falling rapidly in the London market. The spot price is now £86 15s, a drop of £9 5s in a week. Pig lead is also declining.

Weather Forecast: Temporarily fine and pleasant, becoming unsettled and showery over the west, extending eastwards.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—Notice is hereby given that the Single Meeting of Creditors in the following matters will be held at the Court, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, on the 14th day of August, 1907, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 13th day of August, inst.:—Re GREVILLE TREGARTHEN, No. 17,453, of Pitt-street, Sydney, Accountant. He HUGH EMPIE STEVENSON, No. 17,458, of Manly, Cordial Manufacturer. Re WILLIAM EDMUND BARKER, No. 17,448, of 26 Somerset-street, Balmain, Labourer. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. W. H. PALMER, Official Assignee.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—Notice is hereby given that the Single Meeting of Creditors in the following matters will be held at the Court, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, on the 12th day of August, 1907, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 9th day of August, 1907:—Re EDWARD JOHN WHITE, No. 17,439, of Old South Head-road, Waverley, Dentist. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. L. T. LLOYD, Official Assignee. (6-d)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of LOUISA McKAY, late of Richard-street, Newtown, in the State of New South Wales, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the First Account and Final Distribution in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Queen's-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the tenth day of September, at thirty minutes past ten o'clock in the forenoon, and attend the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said Accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the said Executor. Dated this first day of August, in the year 1907. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. MURPHY and MOLONEY, Proctors for Executor, 61 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ANN COOMBE, late of Burwood, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Executor's Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Queen's-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claims on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me, at my said office, on or before the 20th day of August instant, at 10.15 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this first day of August, in the year 1907. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. AITKEN and AITKEN, Proctors for the Executor, 44 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN WILLIAM GIBSON, late of Mosman, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Merchant, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any debt or claim upon or affecting the Estate of JOHN WILLIAM GIBSON, the abovenamed deceased, who died on or about the thirtieth day of May, 1907, and Probate of whose Will was granted by the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Probate Jurisdiction on the fifth day of July, 1907, to FREDERIC JESSE WALLER and CHARLES HERBERT STARKEY, both of Sydney, the Executors named in the said Will, are hereby required to send in particulars of their claims to the said CHARLES HERBERT STARKEY, one of the said Executors, or to the undersigned, STEPHEN, JAQUES, and STEPHEN, Proctors, on or before the first day of September next, at the expiration of which time the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard to the debts and claims only of which they shall then have had notice; and the said Executors will not be liable for the assets so distributed to any person of whose debt or claim they shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution. Dated this first day of August, 1907. STEPHEN, JAQUES, and STEPHEN, Proctors for the said Executors, 12 and 14 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of THOMAS CLIFTON, formerly of Lowesdale, near Corowa, in the State of New South Wales, but late of Lowesdale Lodge, Britannia-road, Ipswich, in the County of Suffolk, England, Retired Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to THOMAS CLIFTON and JOHN THOMAS CLIFTON, both of Lowesdale, near Corowa, aforesaid, the son and grandson respectively of the abovenamed deceased, and the said Executors named in the said Will. And all notices may be served at the offices of FRANK A. DAVENPORT, Solicitor, 81 Pitt-street, Sydney. EDWARD REGINALD NICOLSON, Proctor for the Executors, Sanger-street, Corowa. By his agent, FRANK A. DAVENPORT, Solicitor, 81 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of MARTIN CONNELLY, late of Kalgoorlie, in the State of Western Australia, and formerly of Waters-road, Neutral Bay, in the State of New South Wales, Contractor, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CATHERINE MARGOT CONNELLY, a daughter of the said deceased, and all notices may be served at the undersigned address, where all claims must be sent within the said fourteen days. An application will be made to have the bond dispensed with. A. J. REYNOLDS, Proctor for the Applicant, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicils of CORNELIUS DUFFY, late of Cleveland-street, Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, formerly of Argyle-street, Sydney aforesaid, Pawnbroker, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased and the Codicils thereto may be granted to MICHAEL JOSEPH DUFFY, the Executor named in a Codicil to the said Will (in the said Codicils called MICHAEL DUFFY), the Executor therein named having renounced Probate, and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. CHARLES THOMAS POOLE, Proctor for the Executor, 70 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ISABELLA DALRYMPLE, late of The Rectory, Erskineville, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Miss Fane Covert, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to GEORGE REGINALD PERCY HALL and ARTHUR PATRICK NIXON DALRYMPLE, the Executors therein named. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. DALRYMPLE and BLAIN, Proctors for the Executors, 76 Moore-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of MARIA HUGHES, late of Goulburn, in the State of New South Wales, Schoolmistress, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CARA JANE HUGHES, of 37 Holborrow-street, Croydon, Schooner, the Executrix in the said Will. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. SLY and RUSSELL, Proctors for the said Executrix, 320 George-street, Sydney.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

MUNICIPALITY OF NEWTOWN.

O'CONNELL WARD.

EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY.

REQUISITION.

To Mr. NAT LEWIS, 185, 187, 189 King-street, Newtown.—

Dear Sir,—We, the undersigned Ratepayers of the O'Connell Ward, in the Municipality of Newtown, hereby request you to allow yourself to be nominated for the Vacant Seat in the Council caused by the death of the late Alderman H. N. Howe:—

T. G. Bates, R. J. Bohrmann, R. J. Elliott, A. Watts, G. Stevens, W. C. Macdougall, W. Greenwood, S. Quartly, Henry Prince, Robert C. Rogers, Charles Cameron, D. Collett, P. J. Byrne, David Cohen, J. J. Fihelly, Henry Cohen, J. Broadley, E. E. Guille, T. Moxon, M. Goldberg, W. McGillchrist, and others.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—

In response to your flattering requisition, let me say how deeply sensible I am at the honour you do me in asking me to contest the seat so long and so worthily filled by our old friend, the late Alderman Howe. If nominated and elected I assure you I will my very best efforts will be devoted to the interests of your ward and the advancement of the Borough of Newtown.

Yours faithfully,

NAT LEWIS.

Newtown,
August 2, 1907.

THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF KOGARAH.

EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY.—WEST WARD.

NOTICE is hereby given that a MEETING OF ELECTORS of the Municipality of Kogarah will be held at the Council Chambers, Rown's-road, Kogarah, on FRIDAY, the 9th day of AUGUST, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of nominating and electing one Alderman to fill the Extraordinary Vacancy in West Ward, caused through the resignation of Alderman W. P. Judd, J.P.

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES must be in writing, and delivered to me personally, or to the Council Clerk, at the Council Chambers, Rown's-road, Kogarah, between the hours of 9 p.m. and 3 p.m. on THURSDAY, the 8th AUGUST NEXT.

N. P. NIELSEN,
Mayor and Returning Officer.

Council Chambers, Kogarah, Aug. 2nd, 1907.

CALLS AND DIVIDENDS ON SHARES.

VANBELEGO NORTH COPPER MINING COMPANY, NO LIABILITY.
Equitable-buildings, George-street, Sydney.

NOTICE OF CALL.—Notice is hereby given that a CALL (No. 1) of Ten Shillings per share, making shares paid up to thirty shillings per share, has been made due and payable at the Company's Office on or before WEDNESDAY, 14th August, 1907.

A. E. BUBB, Secretary.

Sydney, 1st August, 1907.

HARDEN WEST GOLD-MINING COMPANY, No Liability, Equitable-buildings, George-street, Sydney.

NOTICE OF CALL.—NOTICE is hereby given that a CALL (No. 5) of Threepence per Share, making Shares Three Shillings and Threepence paid up, has been made, due and payable at the Company's Office, on or before WEDNESDAY, 14th August, 1907.

A. E. BUBB, Secretary.

Sydney, 1st August, 1907.

SNOWBALL COPPER-MINING COMPANY, No Liability, Equitable-buildings, George-st, Sydney.

NOTICE OF CALL.—NOTICE is hereby given that a CALL (No. 2) of One Pound per Share, making Shares Four Pounds Ten Shillings paid up, has been made, due and payable at the Company's Office on or before WEDNESDAY, 14th August, 1907.

A. E. BUBB, Secretary.

Sydney, 1st August, 1907.

GOLF MOUNTAIN TIN-MINING CO., No Liability.

Notice is hereby given that a CALL (the Twenty second) of Threepence per Share has been made on all Shares in the above Company, due and payable at the office of the Company, 91 Pitt-st, Sydney, on Wednesday, the 14th August, 1907.

JACK D. BANKS, Secretary.

BROKEN HILL SOUTH SILVER-MINING COMPANY, NO LIABILITY.

NOTICE is hereby given that Dividend Thirty-sixth, of 4s per share, has been declared due and payable on SATURDAY, 17th AUGUST, 1907. Transfer books will close at the offices of the Company, 31 Queen-street, Melbourne, and Brookman's Building, Gresham-street, Adelaide, on Friday, 2nd August, 1907, at 4 o'clock.

By order of the Board,
FRANK G. HICKEY, Manager.

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MEETINGS.

P.S. TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—Mr. E. R. HOLME, B.A., Lecturer in English, Sydney University, will deliver an Address at the Sydney Girls' High School, at 6 p.m. on MONDAY, August 5th, on "The University and the Schools in Australia."
The general public as well as members are invited.
GEO. FRASER, Hon. Sec.

The Training College, Blackfriars.

L.O.L. Daughters of Derry.—To-night, Protestant Hall, 7.45, Lecture. Bro. Ridgway.

ON THE LAND.

FARM AND STATION.

COONABARABRAN AND A RAILWAY.

I.

THE PILLIGA ARGUMENT.

A VARIED AREA.

RAILWAY COMMUNICATION ESSENTIAL.

Coonabarabran in its forceful appeal for a railway cannot plead the cost of its coaching service. The traveller to this isolated town has the choice of three routes—he may go via Coonamble, Mudgee, or Gunnedah. The latter route has generally been the most favoured by passengers, and just now it is all the vogue because of its cheapness. For some years the coaching fare between Gunnedah to Coonabarabran has been 25s, with 40s for a "return," and for 70 miles of road transit the charge was not exorbitant. But at the beginning of this year a new contractor came in quietly and secured the carriage of the mails. The old line of coaches declined to be run off, and war commenced immediately. Fares tumbled down, until today one is jolted over this 70 miles for 5s, and returned for 2s 6d. The two coaches, often with a single passenger apiece, trundle through the stages together, with drivers and owners watching each other closely, and speculating as to how long the ruinous comedy will last. For it costs a lot of money just now to feed and shoe hungry teams of three and four and five, and to repair harness and vehicular wear and tear. Meanwhile the residents of isolated Coonabarabran and the settlers along the route are well pleased at the contest, and are engaging in a most unwonted lot of travelling. Gunnedah is becoming a centre of fashionable resort. "I've taken down a heap this year," remarked one of the drivers the other day, "who had never been before. One old couple out of the scrub here went through last week to see the railway. Sixty years old both of 'em, and hadn't seen a train before."

IS MORE FACE POSSIBLE?

A Federal Government which is so strong on minimums and maximums should extend the principle more freely to its road carriage of mails. The times allowed to drivers on a great many of the country routes are sorely in need of revision. Apparently the department ascertains what is the reasonable length of the journey under the most adverse conditions of flood and mud, and draws its contracts accordingly. The majority of these coaching routes are well metalled and maintained, and should be covered in considerably less time than they are. It is unfair, of course, to harass and penalise a contractor when he is ploughing through a bog, but still he should not be given an agreement which allows him to dawdle when conditions are good. When running towards the railway towns a hard and fast hour at which to close the mails, based upon the maximum time required for the trip, is perhaps unavoidable; but on the outward run some hours in the delivery of mails might be saved on nine days out of ten. It would also be a good scheme if a postal department which insists that its human employees get a fair minimum of wages, also insisted that the horses driven by its mail contractors had to carry a fair minimum of condition. Too often the covering on the bones of the unfortunate coacher is irreducible. From Gunnedah up to Coonabarabran (one climbs from 870 to nearly 2000 feet on the trip) the horses are generally in good trim; and although an hour or two might without over-driving be knocked off the time, the 70 miles are covered in under 12 hours, which might possibly be worse. The country is monotonous, the vehicles not luxurious, and long before the team pounds on the bridge across the trickling Castlereagh one has reached the conclusion that there would be some good points about a railway to Coonabarabran

A PEEP AT THE SCRUB.

Coonabarabran and its railway project are not much concerned about the country out from Gunnedah until the notorious Pilliga scrub areas are reached. But in the scrub the district takes a very live interest, and talks of it as a revenue-producer, for the line that is one day to run on from Mudgee, via Gulgong and Dunedoo to Coonabarabran, Coonabarabran men who have had lifelong experience of the scrub say that the portion of it traversed for some hours by the coach on the way from Gunnedah is fairly typical, and they ask one to judge it accordingly. The stranger does not enthuse about the Pilliga. Just now, of course, most stores and drapery lines are seen to disadvantage. Prior to the two inches of rain which fell along the southern edge of the scrub at the end of last week, the country was bare, and the season backward. The frosts were severe, grass was dry and coarse, and scarce, and except for the jealous magpie which swooped from his new-built nest for an impotent tilt at a slow-soaring piratical hawk, and the early wattle just gladdening to its heraldry of the spring, there was little to indicate that we were almost into August. Last year the Premier magnanimously offered a large slice of the Pilliga to General Booth, but the offer was not accepted. On paper this great tract of country looks the best of specs. It is in the midst of good land, it is not excessively rough, it is furnished with much valuable timber, it has a rainfall of nearly 30 inches, and it is abundantly watered with springs and creeks. But it isn't what it seems. It is a land freak, a vast deposit of shreds and patches in the midst of much that is marked by evenness of character and fertility. At its best it is good, at its worst it is execrable; and its worst is widespread. But still the Pilliga embraces very large areas of country fit for fairly close settlement. Driving through it one passes miles of land which is hopelessly scrub-covered, rough, and hungry, and which can scarcely ever be anything but a breeding ground for the enemies of the adjoining settlers. The rabbits canter leisurely across to look at you pass with all the assurance and friendliness that is peculiar to Crown lands pests. Mr. Ashton is a veritable Techow among his rabbits, and over the country he as Minister controls you get in the ever-multiplying hordes of his pets the most striking demonstrations of his solicitude for dumb animals. It is easy to imagine that in his knickerbocker days Mr. Ashton was a prince among white mice and beetle tamers. His Pilliga rabbits eat most things that grow low over these hundreds of thousands of acres, and if they miss a patch and the pastoralist or settler ventures in with sheep, the wild dogs appreciate their oversight.

A LOT OF GOOD COUNTRY.

But although the Pilliga is no neglected paradise (landholders always hungry for more country don't shut their eyes to a good thing that can be had for a song), still it contains a big aggregate of land that will sooner or later support prosperous homes. From the rough pest-infested tracts one runs suddenly on to excellent pockets of good farming lands where the red soil only awaits cultivation and protection to raise heavy cereal crops. Extended black soil patches, capital for grazing, are also fairly numerous, and here and there considerable swamps carry and fatten stock freely. Valuable ironbark, cypress, pine, and bloodwood abound in parts, and if the local authorities are correct these timbers are often thick and straight, and great of girth enough to be worth up to £4 an acre. The cost of clearing or reducing to even a stock-carrying capacity has been the great obstacle to Pilliga settlement, but if the timber has a general value it should, if made accessible to markets now so keen on good material, be a substantial offset. To-day it costs more to get the timber out on to the railway line than it is worth. The position was put to a Sydney merchant. "The Pilliga," he said, "haulage so much, trainage so much. We can get it cheaper from America." That was, under existing conditions, final. And it is much the same with settlement. The Pilliga lies almost north of Coonabarabran, commencing within a mile or two of the town across the Castlereagh, and it rolls away, a whole million acres of it, towards Narrabri. The Government, beginning at the point closest to the railway, have initiated clearing operations on the northern side. An excellent step. Good or bad, in these days of land famine the area is worth a fair trial. But this is no good to the great stretches of the south.

MONEY-MAKERS IN THE SCRUB.

If the Pilliga is to be made a State asset, the work must be done by the small man. The big holder has had his chance, and would have none of it. Not that the Pilliga has not been in some respects a fine asset for its neighbours. Clever people have won fine cheques from its varied recesses. Many schemes are worked. When the big drought of 1902 paralysed the surrounding country, sheep in tens of thousands went into the Pilliga, to be shepherded on the good pockets by day, and yarded by night, and not a few squatters acknowledge a big debt to the desolate domain. And every season finds large numbers of cattle through the scrub. I heard of one authentic case of a man who uses a lease of 80 acres as a base to pasture 200 head of cattle, and this is indicative of a fairly general practice. At Coonabarabran a week ago a dozen prime bullocks emerged from the scrub in the hands of a well-pleased butcher, who had been at his wits' end to pick up eatable beef on the surrounding freehold country. A profitable plan is to apply for an annual lease, and to pay a small deposit. The stock is then crowded on heavily, and by the time the application reaches a belated land board the owner's country is spelled, the application is not persevered with, the stock withdrawn, and the dear paternal Crown is left with some sort of hazy idea that it has not had quite a genuine deal.

SMALL HOLDERS' COUNTRY.

Within 20 miles of Coonabarabran are a few farming settlements. But the fight is a terrible one. A man might exist; he cannot prosper. A hundred miles or more from a railway, his hard-won produce slips from him before it reaches the railway. He consumes all he can for his own raising, and sells what he may in the glutted local market; but Heaven help him when he has to deal by road and rail with Sydney, either as a buyer or a seller. And yet the small man must take the Pilliga, because he is able to "spot" it. If he gets a few hundred acres, and rings it about with wire netting, it matters not much to him how rough and pest-infested is the country adjoining. But the big lessee is obliged to take it in the face, and the expense of the bad swallows and gapes for the profits of the good. The settlement of the Pilliga, or of the tenable portions of it, will only be possible by a bold policy. Special conditions must govern the alienation of the land, and those who settle must be given access to markets. The State would do well if it could give the country away to suitable men, who would, however slowly, improve it. Railway communication is a bigger proposition, but surveyed routes run all round it, and without a great outlay it might be made to assist one or more of these routes to pay. And the Coonabarabran people urge that if their district were linked with the line at Mudgee the southern portion at least of the scrub could be reduced to a state of profit.

ITEMS.

To the list of entries for our South Coast farm competitors is added Messrs. Bailey Brothers' property, Homeleigh, of 195 acres, at Gerringong. The entry was dated July 30, and reached this office yesterday. Another entry posted in time for acceptance is from Mr. John Swan, of Byron, Inverell, whose property of 704 acres has been added to the Northern Tablelands Division.

A recent Consular report shows that a decrease in German meat consumption of over 22lb per head has taken place between 1901 and 1905, and that the annual consumption in 1905 was about 100lb. In spite of the decreased consumption, the higher prices prevailing at present would necessitate an annual expenditure of £3 more than in 1901 for a family of five persons. A Dresden Consul provides a list of the prices paid by him personally for different supplies in Dresden:—Pork and mutton chops, 1s 8d per lb; roast beef, 1s 10d; veal cutlets, ham, bacon, steak, chicken, turkey, and butter, from 1s 6d to 2s per lb.

At present the restrictions are so severe that it is practically impossible to send meat from overseas into Germany. Thus it is of interest to get the Consular announcement that there is a loud demand in the press throughout Germany for the opening of the boundaries between the adjoining nations for the importation of cattle on the hoof for slaughter. A Brunswick paper states that "In different States, and above all, in Bavaria, it is seen in official circles that this bad condition of affairs can not longer continue, but at least the attempt must be made by the opening of the boundaries to bring about an improvement even if the opening must be done with great circumspection. Even the free conservatives begin to see that the importation of meat and cattle must be increased, and, at their party meeting at Breslau, recommended this expedient."

An experiment

LAW REPORT.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1.

HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA.

(Before the Chief Justice, Sir Samuel Griffith, and Justices Barton, O'Connor, Isaacs, and Higgins).

A QUEENSLAND CASE.

Bank of Australasia v Hall.

The hearing of the case was concluded, and judgment reserved.

SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

IN BANCO.

(Before the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Cohen, and Mr. Acting Justice Sly.)

THE CUSTODY OF CHILDREN.

Re T. G. Alford (J. A. E. Alford and W. P. Mylecharane, respondents).

Mr. Windeyer, instructed by Messrs. Cope and Co., appeared for Thomas Goldsbrough Alford, of Ashfield, and moved for an order upon the respondents, Jessie Ada Eleanor Alford and William Phillip Mylecharane, both of Parramatta-road, directing them to deliver to applicant his children, Phillis Thelma Mylecharane Alford and Doreen Jane Goldsbrough Alford, aged respectively 11 and 2 years.

After discussion the matter was adjourned till Thursday next, and the Court directed the younger child to remain in the meantime in the custody of respondent, Mylecharane, and Miss Kate Branneley, to whom the elder child was attached, to have charge of it.

After the luncheon adjournment,

Mr. Windeyer said that it had been ascertained upon visiting Miss Branneley's house that she was laid up with influenza, and her medical attendant had forbidden her to see anybody. That being so, the elder child could not be given into her custody; and he suggested that the child should be delivered to Mrs. Creamer, a married sister of the applicant, and wife of a Government official.

The Court ordered the child to be handed over to Mrs. Creamer.

A LIFT ACCIDENT.

APPEAL BY DEFENDANTS DISMISSED.

Campbell v Binnie.

Mr. Garland, instructed by Messrs. Minter, Simpson and Co., appeared for the defendants, and moved for a rule nisi by which plaintiff was called upon to show cause why the verdict found in his favour should not be set aside and a new trial granted. The action, which was tried before Mr. Acting Justice Sly and a jury of four, at the last sittings, for the trial of causes was brought by Robert M'Gregor Campbell, a labourer, employed at the time of the accident by the Waygood Elevator Company, against Richard Binnie and Herbert Binnie, to recover compensation for physical injury sustained by him owing, he he alleged, to the negligence of the defendants or their servants. The plaintiff's case was that in January, 1906, he was working for the Waygood Elevator Company, and part of his duty was to look after various lifts in the city. On January 12 he was engaged at defendants premises in Kent-street, oiling or repairing the wheel at the top of the outside elevator, which was used for the carriage of goods. While so engaged, the machinery was suddenly started without notice to him, and his right arm being caught it was dragged off at the shoulder. The defendants denied that there had been any negligence, and called evidence in order to prove that before the lift was started the plaintiff was warned. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff, with damages £500, and defendants now appealed.

The Chief Justice (Mr. Justice Cohen and Mr. Acting Justice Sly concurring) said that three objections had been taken to the rulings given by the Judge before whom the case was tried, but he thought those rulings were correct. Then it was said that his Honor was in error in telling the jury that if they considered that the swinging of the rope and calling out were insufficient to notify plaintiff that the lift was wanted, and that the ringing of an electric bell or some other better method of notification should have been adopted, the fact that there was no electric bell or other better method of notification would constitute evidence of negligence on defendants' part. That ground arose out of a question put by the jury themselves, and his Honor merely told them that it was a matter entirely for their consideration, and that he could not so direct them.

Rule refused.

MOTION FOR MANDAMUS.

A MODERN ENOCH ARDEN.

Re John Keegan (Minister for Work, respondent.)

Mr. E. M. Mitchell, instructed by Mr. Alfred Mitchell, appeared for John Keegan, of Glenmore-road, Paddington, gentleman, and moved to make absolute a rule nisi, granted on May 2 last, calling upon the Minister for Works to show cause why a writ of mandamus should not issue directing him to make a valuation of 62 acres of land, being a conditional purchase, in the parish of Southend, county of Cumberland, resumed by the Crown in February, 1902, in connection with the construction of a dam across the Cataract River. Mr. Gordon, K.C., and Mr. Peden, instructed by the Crown Solicitor (Mr. J. V. Tillett), appeared for the respondent, to oppose the motion. Keegan took up the land in 1899, and resided on the selection with his wife and family for about 12 or 13 years. One night he fell over a precipice, sustaining severe injuries, which seriously affected his mind and speech. About 1890 or 1891 he went back to the farm, and was then informed by his daughter that his wife was in Sydney, and had gone away with another man. During the next 14 or 15 years he wandered about different portions of Queensland, and during the whole of that time he was in a bad condition of health, and barely able to keep himself. Having ascertained that his wife had taken out letters of administration in his estate on the supposition that he was dead, he in May, 1906, applied to the defendant as the constructing authority to make a valuation of his land under section 96 of the Public Works Act of 1900 for the purpose of obtaining compensation. The application was refused on the ground that on the assumption of his decease, the money had been paid to his wife, who had obtained letters of administration.

Mr. Gordon said that the Crown, after making inquiry, was satisfied as to the identity of the applicant with John Keegan, but the affidavits in reply went to show that for years Mrs. Keegan remained with her children on the conditional purchase, and paid the instalments of the purchase money from time to time. The question now arose whether the Minister was bound to pay applicant the purchase money, in view of the fact that his wife had already received it.

The case stands part heard.

IN PROBATE.

(Before Mr. Justice Street.)

GRANT v COGHLAN.

The evidence in this suit was not concluded at 4 o'clock, when the further hearing was adjourned to the next day.

IN DIVORCE.

(Before Mr. Justice Simpson.)

POWELL v POWELL (W. H. FORD CO-RESPONDENT).

Mr. Hodgson, instructed by Mr. R. C. Cunningham, appeared for the petitioner; Mr. B. K. White, instructed by Messrs. S. P. Blackmore and Sons, for the respondent, and, instructed by Mr. S. B. Bandield, for the co-respondent. This was a suit in which Thomas Powell, a labourer, residing in Hordern-street, Newtown, sought a dissolution of his marriage with Emeline Powell, formerly Boyle, on the ground of misconduct with William Henry Ford, who was joined as co-respondent.

The hearing was commenced about a week ago, and evidence in support of petitioner's case was now resumed and concluded. Respondent gave evidence denying the misconduct alleged against her, and at 4 o'clock the further hearing was adjourned to the following day.

BANKRUPTCY.

CREDITORS' PETITION.

Henry Green versus Edward Stephen Atkins, lately carrying on business at Canterbury-road, North Sydney. Hearing fixed for August 8.

ARBITRATION COURT.

(Before Judge Heydon, President, and Messrs. J. P. Wright and E. Riley, members.)

THE IRON TRADE.

Judgment was given on the application that the Ironworkers' Assistants' award should be made a common rule in the industry. Mr. Taylor appeared for the union; Mr. Steele for the Meadowbank Manufacturing Company, Limited; and Mr. Wegg-Horne for the Employers' Federation.

The President said the Court could not grant the application for the Meadowbank Company for exemption regarding certain contracts, and the common rule would therefore apply to that company. The Court rejected the application of the Clyde Engineering Company, except in regard to the Government's locomotive contract. The Court wanted to know if when that contract was made the company had agreed with the men that the work should be carried out at the then prevailing rate of wages.

Mr. Wegg-Horne said there was such an agreement, and he called

Walter M. Noakes, director and general manager of the Clyde Engineering Company, who said that when the contract was being considered the unions were asked to make certain concessions. The union now connected with the dispute was one of them. The men decided not to agree to a reduction of wages, but they agreed not to ask for a rise during the contract so long as the company kept to the minimum rate of wages. Mr. Wise at a subsequent conference asked the men if there was any probability of their going on strike in the event of the contract being arranged. Witness thought Mr. Wise said that if he were satisfied that there would be no strike it was probable the company would get the contract.

Mr. Wegg-Horne said that it was commonly known that the people at the deputation did not represent individually the various unions connected with the iron trade, but what they termed the ironworkers' section of the Trades and Labour Council.

The matter was allowed to stand over, to allow Mr. Noakes to obtain certain letters and refresh his memory on the matter.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Murray and a jury.)

Mr. Herbert Harris was Crown Prosecutor.

PLEADED GUILTY.

The following pleaded guilty, and were remanded:—Frederick Bruns, stealing in the dwelling-house of Alexander M'Kinley, at Chatswood, larceny of goods, the property of May Brear, and stealing scarf pins, the property of Harold Rabone; James Maconstra, stealing in the dwelling-house of Herbert Hoyles, stealing in the dwelling-house of Sarah Bayliss, and stealing in the dwelling-house of Thomas James English; William Collins, breaking and entering and stealing at the dwelling-house of Frederick Austin Davis, at the dwelling-house of William Walder, at the dwelling-house of James Dymock, at the dwelling-house of John Elliott, at the dwelling-house of Howard Keeley, at the dwelling-house of Thomas Moore, at the dwelling-house of Jesse Freebury, at the dwelling-house of G. S. Schwartzkoph, at the dwelling-house of George Dibley, at the dwelling-house of F. J. Barnard, at the dwelling-house of Walter Ball, at the dwelling-house of Robert E. Swan, at the dwelling-house of John Macnamara, at the dwelling-house of Edward Viles, and at the dwellinghouse of James Thomas Horton; William Burke, stealing in the dwelling-house of Frederick J. T. Sawkins; Allan Moore, stealing in a dwelling goods the property of Jean Mason Barton; Arthur Rodgers, larceny of a clock, the property of Louis Eggeling, stealing from Emma Stevens, stealing in a dwelling goods the property of John Nelson; stealing from Richard Murray, stealing in a dwelling-house goods the property of James Kelly; stealing in a dwelling-house goods the property of Ernest M'Griffin; Frank Hutson, false pretences to Arthur Edward Austin; Ebn. Benjamin Bridge, fraudulent appropriation, and obtaining property by means of false pretences (five charges); May Richards, stealing in dwelling-house of John Dunn; Claude Davis, receiving property belonging to Mr. R. H. Levien, M.L.A., knowing it to have been stolen; David Hall, breaking and entering the warehouse of Archibald Howie, at Balmain, and stealing therein; Arthur Karl Beckman, breaking and entering and stealing at Manly Vale; Samuel Lindsay, alias Stevenson, embezzlement of the sum of £54 5s 6d from the Northern Suburbs Store Supply, Limited, his masters.

ASSAULT AND ROBBERY.

Frederick Robertson, James Brown, and James Lonergan, young men, were arraigned on a charge of assaulting and robbing Moran Yves.

The accused pleaded not guilty. Mr. Mack, instructed by Mr. J. W. Abigail, appeared for Brown and Lonergan.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty with intent to rob against each of the accused, who were sentenced to three years' imprisonment in Parramatta Gaol, with hard labour, each man having a bad record of previous convictions.

The Court adjourned till the following day.

LAW NOTICES.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2.

HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA.

Darlinghurst Court-house, at 10.30 a.m.—For hearing: The King v the Governor of South Australia, ex parte Yardon, mandamus; Marshall and another v Smith.

SUPREME COURT.

Term List.—Crown case: Rex v Glasgop. Motions, etc.: Ex parte John Keegan (mandamus), part heard; in re John Kennedy, ex parte F. A. Drinan (to remove bill of costs from file); ex parte Robert Coutts (prohibition); ex parte Daniel M'Carthy (prohibition).

In Chambers.—In No. 3 Court, at 9.30 a.m.—Grattan v Smith (part heard); Hughes v Steel (special case); Spence v Friederick (special case); Cox and wife v Chief Commissioner for Railways and Tramways (for stay of proceedings); Brown v the council of the municipality of Bathurst (for change of venue); Sweeney v Hayden and others (special case).

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary.—In re gent, one etc., ex parte Gordon, 2.15 p.m.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before his Honor the Probate Judge, at No. 2 Jury Court.—At 10 a.m.: Probate suit, Grant v Coghlan (part heard). The following accounts will be taken at the Probate Office:—Edward Ingram, 10.15; Maria M'Leod, 10.30; William Davies, 11; Henry Dent, 11.30; Henry Joseph Boulter, 12.

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10 a.m.—Motions generally: Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited, v Municipal Council of Sydney, motion for injunction; re estate of J. Marks, deceased, Marks and L.P. Act, petition for sale; Tichburst v Moore, further consideration; Heath v Dunn, originating summons; Wilson v Halloran, motion for appointment of receiver; Hosking and others v Fielding and others, motion for decree; exp. Minister for Works and claim of Chisolm and others, petition for payment out; Rickard v Sutherland, motion for writ of commission.

Before the Master-in-Equity.—At 9.30 a.m.—Company matters, ex parte: At 12 noon, Ophir Copper Mining Company and Companies Act to confirm accounts; at 12.15 p.m., re John Conroy, deceased, Intestate, to approve of order for payment out; at 12.30 p.m., re estate of Jane Dun and C. and L.P. Act, to approve of sale. Before the Deputy Registrar in Equity.—At 11 a.m., Bennett v Wanganella, to tax costs; at 11.30 a.m., re will of E. Orr, deceased, and Trustee Act, to settle minutes of order; at 12 noon, Commercial Travellers' Association and Companies Act, to settle minutes of order.

Before the Judge in Bankruptcy.—At 4 p.m.: Creditors' Petitions—J. T. MacMahon v George Wilhelm Sudholz, Norman Hector Murray v Alfred Browne, William Burns v Frederick William Probert, Jane Ann Scott v Henry Waite, James Charles Stewart, trading as J. C. Stewart and Co., John Hurley, and Claude Bradley v Michael Jones; Joseph Nimmo v James Henry Jacks.

Before the Chief Clerk.—At 10.30 a.m.: Taxation of petitioning creditor's costs—Mary Ann M'Mahon.

In Divorce.—Before the Judge in Divorce, in No. 1 Jury Court.—At 10: Powell v Powell, Ford co-respondent (part heard). At 2: Saunders v Saunders (part heard).

In Lunacy.—Before the Master.—At 10 a.m., re person incapable, to settle draft report; 11 a.m., re person incapable, to settle draft report; 11 a.m., re person incapable, to settle draft report; 11 a.m., re insane patient, to tax costs.

COURT OF ARBITRATION.

Before the President.—At 10 a.m.: Applications under section 12—To be struck out: Hairdressers' Employers v Addicoat. For hearing—Operative Stonemasons' Society v J. Tait, same v J. Jagers, same v A. Adamson, same v G. Dobie, same v W. Howie, same v C. Reece. Journeymen Confectioners' Union v W. Malone; Amalgamated Railway and Tramway Association v M. Gilligan, same v John Meyers, same v David King, same v Chas. James, same v John Farrell, same v J. W. Dayes, same v J. Mackenzie; Coast Trade and Master and Engine Union v G. Lenkiewicz; Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders v J. Hampson: Wire Mattress Makers v T. Murphy; Cold Storage Employees' Union v W. Goodrich, same v R. Ryles, same v John Birtles; Storemen, Journeymen Barriers and New South Wales v E. Gilbert; New South Wales Government Tramway Employees' Union v J. Wood, same v A. Gawler, same v T. Mobbs, same v H. Morgan.

COURT OF MARINE INQUIRY.

(Before his Honor Judge Backhouse and Assessors, in No. 1 District Court, at 11 a.m.)

Re the Resolute, re the Kakapo and the Eagle Crag.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.

Claude Drew and Rose Saunders, stealing from the person; Marmaduke Woods, false pretences; Edward Neilsen, robbery.

DISTRICT COURT.

(Before his Honor Judge Backhouse, at 10 a.m.)

Motions Generally.—Mantova and another v Smith, Bayers v Hanley, Herman v Dunne, Bishop v Marsh and another, Slater v Fava, Rickard and Co., Ltd., v O'Connor, Logan, Cleary v Conway, Lavers v Penny, Macrow and others v Langley, Foldey v Hilliard, Simon v Waugh, Purcell v Grey, Australian Dyeing Company, Ltd., v Burrows, the New Brunswick Wells Sheet de Piste Deposit and Investment Company, Ltd., v Durant, Booker v Marrin and another, Freeman v Macarthur, Holmes v Fava, Booker v Parkinson, Keenan v Fyfield.

(Before the Registrar, in No. 2 Court.)

At 10 a.m.: Commissioners of Taxation v Jones, same v McIntyre.

LIST OF DEFENDED CAUSES.

(Before his Honor Judge Backhouse.)

August Sittings.—Horniman v Macdonald, The Corticelli Silk Company, Ltd., v Myerson and another, Hersch v Hall, McMahon and another v Cooper and another, Wilson v Bullough, Green v Perrin, Price v Bannerman, Bolling v Field, White v Anderson, Drake v Railway Commissioners of New South Wales, Power v the South Clifton Coal-mining Company, Ltd., Stevens and another v Caine, Shelley v Ivers, Cameron v Butler, Norman v Goldsmith, Lumb v Murren, Martin v Solomon and another, Scott v Phillis, Newton v Hellberg, Foy and others v Dunn, Lee v Lee, Ashworth v Norton, Jones v Wood, De Courcy v Dickenson, Stacy v Cook, Campbell v Garrard and another, Hirschenk v Abt, Adlam v Thompson, Nautrive v Brown, Harford v Dayton Money-weight Scale Company, Ltd., Lowe v Sanders, Hewson v Band, Leeder v Sutton and another, Wall v Gee, Greig-Smith v Browne, Frey v Collins, Stephens v Lorbalestier, Gordon and Co., Ltd., and another v Wallace, Robinson v Haynes, Garlick and another v Lohmann and another.

Causes not exceeding £10.—The Board of Water Supply and Sewerage v Ivers, Copp v Painter, Hudson v Thompson.

Jury Cases.—Cox v the Council of the Municipality of Hurstville, Friedman v Costello.

SOUTH BULLI CAVIL.

ALLEGED MANIPULATION OF THE BALLOT.

SCRUTINEERS CHARGED.

WOLLONGONG, Thursday.

At the Quarter Sessions to-day, before Judge Rogers, Joseph Lewis and John Gowan were charged with that they did in company, at the South Bulli colliery, unlawfully conspire together to fraudulently secure working places for themselves in the said colliery by manipulating the ballot at the quarterly cavil on December 21, 1906, Mr. J. Armstrong, K.C., appeared for the Crown, and Mr. H. A. Moss for Gowan, and Mr. A. A. Lysaght for Lewis. Accused pleaded not guilty.

From the evidence it appeared that the cavil was a system ruling at the various mines, whereby places good or bad were allotted to coal-hewers quarterly. The two accused had occupied the position of scrutineers, having been appointed by the South Bulli lodge for some years. At the cavil in question, one had a list of names, and the other the numbers. The ballot-box had two compartments, the names being placed in one and the numbers in the other. On the occasion of the cavil on December 21, Mr. Evan Davis, the under-manager, challenged the box, and demanded that the names be recounted. On the slips being counted the original number was found to be three short. Gowan and Lewis, on being asked how they accounted for their names not being in the box, replied that they did not know. The under-manager at the time told both accused that if they produced the missing slips the cavil would be drawn, and nothing more would be said about it. Both accused denied having the papers. Shortly after, James Boland, treasurer of the South Bulli Lodge, saw Gowan, who said he thought if Lewis was approached the slips could be got. Subsequently Gowan said they had agreed to give up the slips, Lewis taking them out of his boot.

Mr. Lysaght and Mr. Moss contended that there was no case to go to the jury.

His Honor considered there was a case for the jury.

Accused Lewis made a statement from the dock. He said he had written the names of all the men on the sheet of paper which he handed to Gowan, who cut them into slips, each having the name of one man. He folded them up, and put them in the boxes. He did not put any papers in the box, and knew nothing how these slips were left out. He thought all were placed in. Gowan came to him some time afterwards with the slips in his possession, and asked witness to give them up for him. He declined to do so. Some time after, whilst they were in the cabin, Gowan said, "I am going to clear out. You give them up." Witness then took them. Gowan had told him not to let anyone see the slips, and he placed them in his boot, which he was lacing up at the time. He afterwards gave them to Boland. He did not conspire with Gowan to do anything wrong.

Gowan, who went into the witness-box, stated that on the day of the cavil he received a sheet containing the names of the men from Lewis. He cut it into slips, each one containing one name, and left them on the bench. Lewis folded them, and put them in the box. He put the slips containing the numbers in the box, when Mr. Davis, the under-manager, challenged the correctness of the box, and it was found that three slips were missing. Witness asked that the slips be recounted, as he could not believe it. Davis and Boland, the treasurer, asked him if he had the slips, or knew anything about them. He replied that he had not. He saw Lewis afterwards, when he said he had the missing slips, which he had picked up on the floor. He asked Lewis why he did not give the slips up. He told Boland that if he asked Lewis he thought he would give them up. What Lewis had said about him handing the tickets to him and asking him not to give them up was not true. He did not tell him not to let anyone see them. Witness went to Newcastle the day after the cavil, and subsequently proceeded to New Zealand, where he was arrested. He had no intention of doing any wrong at the cavil.

The Crown Prosecutor read a list of fortnightly pays from the company's pay-sheets, which showed that Gowan and his mate had received sums averaging from £28 6s 3d to £13 17s 6d during the year 1906. Accused could not say whether the amounts were correct or not, but he had generally drawn good working places.

After his Honor had summed up, the jury retired to consider their verdict.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty, with a recommendation to mercy on account of the mental distress and other troubles suffered by the accused since the occurrence.

Mr. Moss and Mr. Lysaght asked for the provisions of the First Offenders Act to be extended to the accused.

His Honor said he could not do so. He would, however, deal leniently. He therefore imposed a sentence of four months' hard labour in Goulburn gaol.

POLICE COURTS.

NEVER CAME BACK.

John Brown, a groom, was charged yesterday at the Paddington Police Court with obtaining a ring valued at £6, the property of Leslie Arthur Light, by false pretences. The prosecutor, a jeweller, stated that Brown called at his shop on May 23, and selected a diamond ring. He told prosecutor that he had left his money in his other trousers, but would have his watch and chain to leave as a representative that he was a well-known Bondi resident, prosecutor allowed him to have the ring without taking security. Accused said that he would call and pay next day, but he never came back. He was committed for trial.

A CATTLE RAID.

Sidney Hearn was charged at the Paddington Police Court yesterday with rescuing 10 cows and 4 calves, which had been seized by the Randwick borough inspector for the purpose of impounding. Defendant, it was stated, "came with a stick, and rushed the cows away." He was fined 20s, and £1 0s 3d costs.

PUBLICANS' LICENSES TRANSFERRED.

Yesterday at the Central Licensing Court the following transfers of publicans' licences were granted:—West Sydney Hotel, Bathurst-street, George Maunder to Walter Rees; Metropolitan Hotel, Underwood-street, Paddington, Annie M. Mortimer to Alexander Ford; Riverview Hotel, Oxford-street, city, James F. Benson to Samuel Bradney; Native Rose Hotel, Parramatta-road, Leichhardt, John Caplice to Joseph Hey; Petersham Inn, Parramatta-road, Petersham, Alexander Sinclair to Louisa Corrigan.

STEALING BLASTING POWDER.

At the Glebe Police Court yesterday morning, before Mr. Isaacs, S.M., John Keany, aged 53, was charged with having stolen two pounds of blasting powder, of the value of 1s 6d, the property of William Scollie, at Annandale, on July 30. Defendant pleaded guilty to taking 2lb of powder, which he had in his basket when spoken to about the matter, but not to having gone to pay for it in the morning. Nicholls, however, by whom the accused was employed as a quarryman, stated that he had missed altogether about 40 or 50lb of powder; and in the constable found several pounds of powder at defendant's house after he was arrested. He was fined £5, in default imprisonment for two months.

AFTER FOUR YEARS.

George Nightingale, 58, a butcher, was before Mr. L. S. Donaldson, S.M., yesterday, at the Water Police Court, charged with maliciously damaging property belonging to Annie Dyer, to the extent of £5, at Sydney, on October 28, 1903. He was further charged with assaulting Annie Dyer at Sydney on the same date. The evidence was to the effect that accused's wife was a barmaid at the Great Northern Hotel, George-street, of which the prosecutrix was the licensee. Accused objected to his wife being there at all, and made repeated efforts to induce her to leave, but without satisfactory results. On the occasion referred to, it was alleged that accused struck Mrs. Dyer over the head with an umbrella as she was carrying, and returning somewhat later in the evening, threw something at the bar counter, doing the damage complained of. The accused told the Bench that he was averse to his wife's position at the hotel, and took to drink in consequence of her refusal to leave, and it was while under its influence that he did the damage. He had no recollection of assaulting her. Mr. Donaldson found the charges proved, and for the malicious damage fined accused £1, ordered him to pay £3, the amount of damage done, and costs, amounting to £2 8s 6d, or in default two months' gaol; and for the assault imposed a fine of £5, with costs amounting to 5s 10d, or in default two months' imprisonment, the sentences to be cumulative. Time was allowed for payment.

SLY GROG-SELLING

A FINE OF £30.

At the Glebe Police Court yesterday morning, before Mr. Isaacs, S.M., Marjorie Oliver, aged 22, was charged with having on Wednesday night, at the Glebe, sold liquor, to wit "stout," to James F. M'Bride, not holding a license under the Liquor Act, and not being the agent or servant of the holder of such a license. Mr. Atkinson appeared for the defence and pleaded guilty. Defendant was fined £30 and costs, in default imprisonment for two months.

Andrew Burns, aged 50, was then charged with having been found by constable M'Neil drinking liquor on unlicensed premises, No. 5, Catherine-street, Glebe, on July 31. It was stated that the police found the defendant drinking liquor in the house when they entered. A fine of £1, in default imprisonment for 14 days was imposed.

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Two pages of the current issue of the "Sydney Mail" are devoted to two charming pages under the title of "The Miniatures of his Excellency the Governor-General." There are 24 of these beautiful treasures, and an accompanying article gives information regarding the subjects and the artists.—Advt.

Portraits of the late D. S. Mitchell, the late Rev. John Watsford, the late Rev. Canon Taylor, the late Henry Howe, the late Judge Molesworth, Mrs C. M. Palmer, Lt. W. C. Addison, Morris Asher, Mark Twain, appear in this week's "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

CRIMINAL APPEALS.

SENATOR NEILD'S REPLY TO MR. WADE.

Senator Neild, in the course of a reply to the adverse comments made by Mr. Attorney-General Wade upon the bill introduced by the senator to provide for criminal appeals, says:—

That Mr. Wade should raise an outcry against reform in legal procedure is, perhaps, not to be wondered at. Speaking in the House of Lords, in May of last year, upon his bill to provide for criminal appeals, the Lord Chancellor said: "There is an ingrained predisposition on the part of members of the legal profession to resist reforms affecting the law." It was from a layman, now a K.C., that I met with the strongest opposition when securing the passage of my Children's Protection Bill through the Legislative Assembly, and have little doubt that the same gentleman would now agree with the stipendiary magistrates, who administer it, that the Act is one of the highest value. Mr. Wade makes reference to the terrible results that in America have followed unlimited appeals in criminal cases, yet objects to my bill because it limits appeals to one only, viz., to the High Court, in this respect absolutely following the British bill. As to Mr. Wade's remarks about appeals from District Courts, let me quote from my speech when moving the second reading of the bill:—"I doubt whether it would be possible for the Federal Parliament to legislate except in accordance with section 73 of the Constitution in appellate matters." But perhaps the most remarkable feature of Mr. Wade's criticism is that he utterly overlooks the initial fact that the bill proposes a reform affecting the entire Commonwealth, while he views it solely from the standpoint of New South Wales! Mr. Wade is apparently one of those who regard the rights of liberty and life as inferior to the rights of property. I hold exactly the opposite. What said the Lord Chancellor in the House of Lords upon his bill to provide for criminal appeals? Speaking a year since, he said:—"There is an appeal, substantially, in all civil cases, both on the law and on the fact, and it is a significant thing that miscarriage of justice has been not infrequently proved in civil cases, even when they are tried before special juries and eminent judges. . . . Is it to be said Judges and juries who are fallible in civil cases are infallible in criminal cases?" Apparently Mr. Wade thinks so!

To follow Mr. Wade through his captious and contradictory jeremiad would be a thankless task. After all, perhaps he is right. It is just within the limits of possibility that his views are more reliable than those of Great Britain's greatest lawyers. More reliable, for instance, than those of the present and past Lord Chancellors, and the past and present Attorneys-General of England. More reliable than those of the Committee of Judges, including Lord Blackburn and Mr. Justice Lush, who in 1878 recommended appeals upon questions of fact, and against sentences, with the leave of the Court; exactly the provisions contained in my bill. More reliable than the Royal Commission of 1879, and the committee of the House of Commons of 1883. More reliable than the Association of the Chairmen of Quarter Sessions. More reliable than the Council of Judges, which recommended appeals against sentences. More reliable than the great Lord Esher, who, writing to the "Times," said:—"The appeal should be as much as possible on law, facts, and sentences." How does Mr. Wade's opposition weigh against these facts? That last year in the Lords, the Lord Chancellor's bill to provide for criminal appeals passed through all its stages without a single division, and that the same bill, with machinery clauses added, has recently passed its first and second readings in the House of Commons, also without division. It is this bill, with necessary alterations to meet local conditions, that I have introduced into the Senate, and sooner or later it will become law, notwithstanding the professional opposition of Mr. Wade.

MR. WADE'S REPLY.

Asked yesterday if he had anything to say in reply to Senator Neild's criticism of his remarks on the Criminal Appeals Bill, the Attorney-General, Mr. Wade, said:—"It is evident that Senator Neild does not understand the nature of my objection, and I am also inclined to think it is probable he does not understand his own bill. I am thoroughly in accord with all the conclusions arrived at by the commissions and legal authorities quoted by Senator Neild; in fact, the Legislature of this State many years ago must have adopted those opinions when they introduced a measure into New South Wales which covers all the grounds embodied in Senator Neild's Bill.

"But, whilst those arguments may be unanswerable reasons for introducing a bill of that character into Great Britain, the same result has been achieved practically in this State 20 years ago. What I objected to was duplicating the machinery of criminal procedure whereby a person who has had the full opportunity for retrial before the Supreme Court is to be allowed again to postpone his punishment by an appeal to the High Court. Senator Neild will see that the Criminal Appeal Bill is to apply only to the King's Bench in England, and there is no suggestion for a similar class of bill in all its details to be applied in the House of Lords. So it is here. It is quite sufficient to have machinery available before the Supreme Court; it is unnecessary in the High Court. If there are any States which do not possess machinery of this character, then the proper course is for each State to avail itself of the opportunity of passing a measure on the lines of the English Appeal Bill. The very essence of certainty in the administration of the criminal law, and in making the punishment an effectual deterrent of crime, is expedition, and the avoidance of everything which tends to create delay. I say again it is the multiplication of appeal tribunals which has caused the scandal which we hear of from time to time with regard to criminal trials in America."

PROPOSED MILITARY CAMP.

WATER AND SEWERAGE BOARD'S ACTION.

At a meeting of the Water and Sewerage Board, held on Wednesday, the president (Mr. T. W. Keele) drew attention to reports which had appeared in the press intimating that the military authorities were about to make application for the reservation of certain land in the vicinity of Woronora and George's Rivers as a site for military manoeuvres. He suggested that a plan be forwarded to the State Commandant, showing the land which had been reserved for extending the catchment area of the Sydney water supply, and stating that they could not acquiesce in any proposal which might have the effect of causing pollution on the area in question.

Mr. J. Garrard said there would be no objection to the military authorities using the catchment area for their periodical firing exercises, but the board did not desire to have permanent camps placed on the area.

The secretary (Colonel Holmes) stated that he had been informed that the military authorities proposed to have a permanent camp on the flats at Moorbank, and to utilise the other country in the direction of Woronora River as a range. They would always return to the main camp at night. The land was required for the new field guns which have a range of 10,000 yards, and there was no place except that within easy distance of the metropolis where such a range could be obtained. The military authorities, he understood, were aware of the board's proposal, and had stated distinctly that there would be no pollution of any kind.

The board approved of the president's suggestion, and also decided to address a communication to the Lands Department on the subject.

IMPROVEMENT LEASES.

TRIALGARA AND GINGHAT.

The Improvement Leases Inquiry Commission, comprising Mr. Justice Owen (chairman) and Messrs. Brandis and M'Master, continued its investigations at the Lands Department yesterday.

Mr. Hanbury Davies, instructed by Mr. J. W. Houston, appeared to assist the Commission.

The applications of W. and T. C. Dickson for improvement leases Nos. 665 (Ginghat), 721 (Trialgara), 1053 and 1288 (Ginghat), 1289 (Trialgara), and 1296 (Ginghat) were further considered.

Mr. Pike, instructed by Mr. H. L. Cathie, land agent, appeared for the applicants.

After hearing evidence, including versions given by Messrs. A. T. Hardy and John Kinenrbane (selectors). The board reserved judgment and adjourned.

On Tuesday next the following applications will be dealt with:—J. L. Brown, leases numbered 1049 and 1042, known as The Brigalows, in the Nyngan land district; J. K. and W. H. Mackay, seven leases, known as Brewon, in the Nyngan land district, and five leases in the Walgett and Nyngan land districts; and A. D. Wiseman, lease No. 1275, known as Mourabie, Walgett.

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The Sydney Mail published this week is an attractive and popular issue. Three pages are devoted to the first of the North Coast articles. Then we come to two charming pages under the title, "The Miniatures of his Excellency the Governor-General." There are reproductions of no fewer than 24 of these beautiful and priceless treasures, and an accompanying article gives information regarding the subjects and the artists. There are portraits of the late D. S. Mitchell, the late Rev. John Watsford, the late Henry Kent, the late Rev. Canon Taylor, and the late Judge Molesworth. On the double page there is a set of pictures of Brisbane, showing public buildings, etc. "Imported Stallions" is an illustrated page having reference to the horses of Mr. P. H. Morton.

"The World's Greatest Horse Show" is a capital article from a special correspondent in London, describing from an Australian point of view the recent horse show at Olympia. It is highly interesting. A military parade at Victoria Barracks and a naval parade in Government House grounds are both illustrated. The Women's Page is especially good. It is enriched with a very beautiful picture of an art treasure that will be on view at the Women's Exhibition. It is an exquisite piece of needlework representing "Pomona," after Burne-Jones. On a Personal Page there are portraits of Mark Twain (his latest photo), Lieutenant W. C. Addison (the Bisley hero), and Mr. C. M. Palmer. The opening of Wollongong Hospital supplies a page of pictures that will prove interesting throughout the Illawarra district. Of pathetic interest is a set of pictures touching the wreck of the *Fido*.

ALONG THE ROUTE OF THE NORTH COAST RAILWAY.

The North Coast of New South Wales is destined to an immense development. This will be hastened by the construction of the railway recently agreed to by Parliament. Hence it is that the Sydney Mail is about to publish a splendid series of North Coast scenery pictures, under the title, "Along the Route of the North Coast Railway." Our representatives are now moving through country that will shortly be threaded by trains burdened with the produce of the fruitful north. The series begins this week with Maitland and Paterson. Later on will come Dungog, Stroud, Gloucester, Taree, Kempsey, and other towns right to Grafton, while for the sake of securing pictures of magnificent scenery back from the railway surveyors' pegs, our representatives have made occasional side trips. Still, the railway route has been the line of advance, and many excellent pictures have been secured. It is a good idea to collect the series. Note that it begins this week, and will be continued weekly. As we move north the scenery gains in picturesqueness.

PASTORAL AND AGRICULTURAL.

The pastoral columns this week challenge special attention. "Lana" continues his instructive articles on the Western slopes of the Tableland, and outlines the remarkable changes which have occurred in these rich districts under close settlement. He describes a few months' operations as a revelation. The most decision of the Federal Arbitration Court in regard to the shearers' claims is dealt with, as well as other current events.

The Agricultural Section is again newsy and bright. The doings of the adjoining States are specially chronicled, and bright notes describe matters rural concerning New South Wales during the past few days.

THE TURF.

"Silroy" has a comprehensive list of 175 winning stallions in Australia for the season just ended. It will be of interest to breeders, horsowners, and horse fanciers. There are also interesting particulars relating to 70 thoroughbred stallions that are advertised for serving this season.

FICTION AND ARTICLES.

On the Australian Short Story page, "Old Barker," by Thos. E. Spencer. On the Young Folks' Page: "Hoppity's Exploits," by Walter H. Bone. Fishing in New South Wales, by Charles Thackeray: No. 1, The Mullet. Reminiscences of the Early Days, by Morris Asher.

OTHER FEATURES.

There is also a budget of Gardening Hints, Golf Chat, Football Notes on the great match between New Zealand and Queensland, also on the Australian game between South Melbourne and Combined Sydney, Cricket Comic, Dramatic and Musical Notes, Stock Exchange News, Rifle and Bowling Notes, and news from the different States. Reviews of several interesting books are published on the Library Page.

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THE COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENT.

THE SENATE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The President took the chair at 3 p.m.

NORTHERN TERRITORY.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, in reply to Senator Millen (N.S.W.), who asked when the Northern Territory agreement would come before Parliament, said the Government did not intend to invite the House to consider it until it is confirmed by the State Legislatures, this being the obvious course, as South Australia should offer to surrender the territory before the Commonwealth decided to take it over.

Sir JOSIAH SYMON (S.A.) asked if the Government would undertake to eliminate or consent to the elimination from the agreement the condition with respect to the consent of South Australia to the construction of the Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta railway, and all reference to that railway.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL replied that the Government had no such intention.

TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILWAY.

Senator MILLEN (N.S.W.) resumed the debate on the second reading of the Transcontinental Railway Survey Bill. He said the Vice-President of the Executive Council had given no sound or solid reason for his change of attitude since he became a Minister. They had learned from their experience of epidemics that they were surrounded with microbes, but it appeared to him that the Treasury Benches were absolutely deadly with him. (Laughter.) No single Ministry could have lived for five minutes if it had said straight out that it was against that railway. However, if Western Australia could show that she had a bona-fide genuine claim that the line should be built, then this Federation had to carry out that obligation. He naturally asked for proofs of any such undertaking. He found, however, that they were based merely on sundry statements, and he claimed that Western Australia was fully informed of the divergence of opinion that existed. She entered Federation knowing the risk she ran. Those letters making promises were written so closely together, that it suggested their having been written in reply to a request for them. Thus they were written on the eve of the Western Australian vote being taken.

Senator ST. LEDGER (Q.) said he had been looking for reasons why he should support the bill, but in listening to the speech he had gone through a succession of mists, and the deepest of them was the attitude of South Australia. That State should make its position clear before the Commonwealth should do anything.

Senator LYNCH (W.A.) said that Western Australia's production was rapidly increasing, and the entire continent would benefit by the line.

Senator NEILD (N.S.W.) opposed the bill. He contended that freight and fares could not be made cheaper by the line being brought into existence, as carriage by water was so cheap that no railway could compete with it.

The debate was adjourned.

VOTING MACHINES

Senator PEARCE (W.A.) moved that in the opinion of the Senate, (1) "in order to obviate informal voting, errors in counting, and delay in Parliamentary elections, the time has arrived to adopt a machine for voting purposes, if an effective one can be procured; (2) that departmental inquiry should be at once instituted and exhaustive tests made of such machines as may be submitted to the department with a view to the adoption of one of them, if it is found effective; (3)) that this resolution be transmitted by message to the House of Representatives for their concurrence." He pointed out that although a large number of informal votes had necessarily to be expected in 1903 owing to the change in the style of marking ballot papers, strange to say informals were higher in 1906 by 100 per cent. This loss of votes arose both from the mistakes of officials and voters.

The motion was carried on the voices.

FEDERAL OFFICERS AND THE INCOME TAX.

Senator M'COLL (Vic.) moved that a return be procured and laid upon the table of the Senate showing (1) how many Federal officers and others employed in the Commonwealth service are subject to the income tax in Victoria; (2) how many of such persons have paid the tax and the total amount paid; (3) how many of such persons have not paid and the total amount unpaid.

The motion was negatived.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Senate adjourned at 9.45 p.m.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Speaker took the chair at half-past 3 o'clock.

THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

Mr. REID (N.S.W.) asked the Acting Prime Minister whether it was a fact that arrangements made for an inspection of the proposed Federal capital sites in New South Wales this week had been delayed.

The ACTING PRIME MINISTER (Sir William Lyne) said that the original arrangement was that some of the sites should have been visited last week, but when the time arrived very few members seemed inclined to go. Arrangements were practically made for this week, but on the previous day he received an intimation that in consequence of what was to take place, members wished the visit again deferred for three weeks.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION.

Mr. W. H. IRVINE (Vic.) complained of a statement in the press said to have been based on information given by a Minister that the section of the Opposition to which he belonged intended to take a certain course on the occasion of the third reading of the Bounties Bill. Obviously the intention of the paragraph was to place the party in a false position, and to make it appear that it was intended to attack the Government in the regrettable absence of the Prime Minister. The real facts were that in conversation with the Attorney-General he told him that before the Bounties Bill left the House he would take a further opportunity of discussing the general financial aspect of the whole question. He had thought it only fair to inform the Government of his intention, but in future he would be very careful in his dealings with the Government.

Sir WILLIAM LYNE, who accepted the responsibility of supplying the information to the press, said that the Ministerial whip had told him that Mr. Irvine had notified his intention of moving on the third reading of the Bounties Bill in the direction of delaying the question until after the delivery of the budget speech.

Mr. W. H. IRVINE: You have been absolutely misinformed.

CONDITION OF THE COAL-MINING INDUSTRY.

Mr. WATKINS (N.S.W.) asked the Acting Prime Minister if his attention had been called to a statement reported to have been made by the Premier of New South Wales to the effect that 2000 miners were required for the coal-fields of that State, and whether he would take action to contradict it.

Sir WILLIAM LYNE said he had read the statement made by the Premier of New South Wales, and he was at once struck by its similarity to the advertisements in the English press, which had recently been referred to. He would adhere to his promise to endeavour to find out who was responsible for some of the extreme views raised in the advertisements in English papers.

CUSTOMS VACANCIES.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL, in reply to Mr. Johnson (N.S.W.), said that 43 vacancies had occurred in the fourth and higher grades of the New South Wales Customs Departments since the classification of the Public Service. Officers in the lowest subdivision of a class were not promoted to the next higher grade. The 43 vacancies were filled by promotions as follows:—36 officers from class 5 to class 4, four from class 4 to class 3, three from class 3 to class 2. Two officers in receipt of £185 per year had received increment from the annual vote of Parliament for deserving officers. In the fourth and higher grades appeals had been made by senior officers when junior officers had been promoted above them, but the appeals had not been granted for reasons set out on page 18 of the Public Service Commissioner's second report on the Public Service.

THE BANKRUPTCY BILL.

Mr. BRUCE SMITH (N.S.W.) asked the Attorney-General if he had definitely decided to refuse to allow several public bodies representative of the commercial and trading classes of the Commonwealth an opportunity of perusing the draft Bankruptcy Bill after it had been dealt with by the officials who were to administer it.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL said he was not prepared to submit the measure to any public body before presenting it to Parliament. The draft had not yet been completed.

THE NEW PROTECTION.

Mr. CROUCH (Vic.) asked the Minister for Trade and Customs whether in the proposed Customs Tariff Bill he would see that provision was made that in every protected industry fair wages, hours, and conditions of labour were provided.

Mr. CHAPMAN said the matter was receiving the earnest attention of the Government.

THE NAVAL AGREEMENT.

Mr. BRUCE SMITH (N.S.W.) asked the Acting Prime Minister whether it was true as stated in a newspaper that the Government intended to submit to Parliament a proposal to terminate the naval agreement, and thus relieve the Imperial Government, as they had desired, of the obligation to retain a naval squadron in Australian waters. If there was no such intention, would the Prime Minister inform the Imperial Government that the proposal foreshadowed by the Prime Minister at the Imperial Conference had been abandoned, and thus save any inconvenience and possible expense that might be incurred by the Imperial Government in anticipation of such a step?

Sir WILLIAM LYNE said that it seemed to him that any statement in reference to the subject mentioned should be made in connection with the policy of the Government on the occasion of the delivery of the Budget speech.

COMPULSORY MILITARY TRAINING.

Mr. HUGHES (N.S.W.) argued "that in order to effectively defend the Commonwealth against possible enemies, it was imperative that all able-bodied adult males should be trained to the use of arms and instructed in such military or naval drill as may be necessary for the purpose." He said that the system he desired to see adopted in Australia was that of Switzerland, with such modifications as were deemed necessary by our circumstances and the nature of our country. Every adult male in Switzerland upon attaining the age of 20 years was required to put in 47 days' training, with the result that there was a citizen army of 500,000 men. A standing army was a danger to a democracy. Australia was not an aggressive nation, and he hoped they never would be. It was the desire of Australians to remain in peace, but it was necessary, in order to secure peace, to in some measure prepare for war. It was the fundamental duty of every citizen to defend his country, but patriotism was not alone sufficient, for men required training, and must be amenable to discipline. There was hardly a socialist in Germany who did not agitate for the adoption of the Swiss system. The army system of Germany made men professional soldiers, and unsuited them for industrial pursuits, while the Swiss system provided men with what was really a six weeks' holiday, at the end of which time they returned to their occupations in a better physical condition, and with the advantage of training and discipline. One was essentially a system of a nation of peace and the other of a nation of war. In Switzerland it was an honour to serve in the army; in fact, men were not accepted for training unless they were physically, mentally, and morally fit. That was a high ideal, and one that Australia might imitate. (Hear, hear.) His proposal was that an Act on the lines of the scheme indicated should not apply to any person over the age of 21 years at the time of the passing of the Act. He wanted every youth, on reaching the age of 18 years, to be liable, if medically fit, for 40 days' continuous training, and subsequently attend 21 days' drill and rifle practice. This system might continue until the age of 21 years was reached, and after that all citizens so trained should be required to put in seven days a year, which would be nothing more than a beneficial holiday. His aim was to create a body of men sufficiently numerous and expert to defend this country. (Hear, hear.) That nations of the world should lay down their arms was a consummation devoutly to be wished; but it was significant that those who were foremost in Australia, in advocating national peace were the greatest opponents of a tribunal for the settlement of industrial disputes. (Hear, hear.) He did not hesitate to say that a man who would not undertake to defend his country should have no voice in the government of his country. In fact, he should be regarded as an outlaw. The system he advocated would not involve the Commonwealth in any great expenditure, although he admitted that it would cost more than the existing system. But, irrespective of cost, it was imperative that the scheme he had outlined, or some equally effective system, must be soon adopted, for the present conditions were impossible if they were alive to their dangers. He regarded the existing cadet system as an excellent stepping-stone to the end desired. (Hear, hear.)

On the motion of Mr. Knox, the debate on the subject was adjourned until September 22.

ADDRESS IN REPLY.

The SPEAKER intimated that he had that day waited on the Governor-General, and presented the Address in Reply.

BOUNTIES BILL.

Further consideration was given in committee to the schedule of the Bounties Bill.

Fish, preserved, in tins or casks, £10,000 per year for five years on the basis of a half-penny per pound.

Dr. WILSON (Vic.), in moving the omission of the item, said that the money proposed to be voted should be used in introducing suitable fish into Australian waters. It was no use canning unsuitable fish.

Mr. KELLY (N.S.W.) suggested the advisability of using the proposed bonus in an indirect way in the work of exploring the fishing grounds of Australia by trawling, and thus provide the House with sufficient data to deal with the subject.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL appealed to the House to pass the item, which would bring into being an industry which would be of great value to the Commonwealth.

Mr. JOSEPH COOK (N.S.W.) said that the problem of to-day was to secure a sufficient supply of fresh fish for home consumption. They were not faced with the difficulty of a surplus supply, because there was a great dearth of fish, and it was therefore an extraordinary attitude on the part of the Government to ask the House to vote £50,000 to encourage the canning of something that did not exist.

Mr. CROUCH (Vic.) moved as an amendment the omission of the words "in tins or casks," with the view of inserting "smoked, dried, or preserved."

Mr. M'DONALL (Vic.) foreshadowed a further amendment in the direction of providing that the bounty shall be paid as prescribed by regulations to be framed.

Mr. WILLIS (N.S.W.) said that the primary producer, the fisherman, would receive no encouragement, while the middleman who canned the fish would be granted a bounty. The only inducement required by the industry was the trawler, now being built to prove the presence of fish in payable quantities, and ordinary British enterprise would do the rest.

The amendment of Mr. M'Dougall was agreed to, and the item as amended was passed.

Dates, £1000 for 15 years, on the basis of one penny per lb.

The item was agreed to on the voices.

Fruits dried except currants and raisins preserved and imported, £6000 per annum for five years on the basis of 10 per cent. on the market value.

Mr. FISHER (Q.) moved an amendment providing for the inclusion of canned pineapples.

A point of order having been taken, the Speaker was appealed to, and ruled that the amendment was out of order on the ground that it would alter the destination of the vote.

The item was passed without amendment.

Combed wool or tops exported, £10,000, on the basis of 1½d per lb for two years from 1st inst, and thereafter 1d per lb for three years.

Mr. WATSON (N.S.W.) moved an amendment providing that the date of the commencement of the bounty should be postponed to July 1, 1908, in order to afford time for the erection of works. He pointed out that unless this course was taken the bounty might expire before the goods were manufactured.

The item was agreed to as amended, and the first schedule was then adopted as amended.

The second schedule was altered consequent upon the omission of the items and amendments made, and was passed to provide for a total expenditure up to June 30 in each year, mentioned as follows:—Year 1908, £60,000; 1909, £118,000; 1910, £175,000; 1911, £233,000; 1912, £290,000; 1913, £332,000; 1914, £340,000; 1915, £358,000; 1916, £372,000; 1917, £385,000; 1918, £391,000; 1919, £396,000; 1920, £401,000; 1921, £406,000; 1922, £412,500.

The original amount voted in the bill was £630,000, but the omitted items rendered a reduction of £117,500 necessary.

The bill was reported with amendments, and the third reading fixed for the following day.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House at 11 o'clock adjourned until 10.30 o'clock on Friday morning.

SCHOOLGIRLS IN CAMP.

Two camps for schoolgirls were organised and successfully conducted by the women of the Sydney University Christian Union—the first at Lawson in December, 1905, and the second at Bulli in December, 1906. In each case there were about 30 campers, representing the leading secondary schools of Sydney, and these were officered by about six University graduates and a camp-mother.

A week was spent in holiday enjoyment, walking, swimming, and climbing, with a little study of a graver kind. The object of the camp was chiefly to show that culture, combined with the highest ideals of life, makes the best character. It is intended that the camp shall be an annual gathering.

Bright and Interesting.—The "Sydney Mail" of this week has several Australian and Young Folks' Stories, and other articles of interest to city and country readers.—Advt.

The central pages of this week's "Sydney Mail" contain a splendid set of pictures of Brisbane, showing public buildings, etc.—Advt.

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BIRTHS.

CAMPBELL.—July 28, at the Union Bank of Australia, Casterton, Victoria, to Mr. and Mrs. L. L. B. Campbell—a daughter.

SILVER WEDDINGS.

BEAMAN—M'CASKIE.—August 2, 1882, by the Rev. Joseph Oram, at the Wesleyan Church, York-street, George, second son of Samuel B——n, of Cripplegate, London, to Sarah, second daughter of John M'Caskie, County Tyrone, Ireland.

DEATHS.

CARTER.—August 1, 1907, at Northcote, Holmwood-street, Newtown, Harry, dearly beloved son of Obadiah and Minnie Carter, aged 6 years. Melbourne papers please copy.

COLLINS.—At 79 Prospect-street, Paddington, in her 80th year, Susan, dearly beloved mother of Thomas J.

HAY.—August 1, 1907, at his residence, Mascotte, Leicester-avenue, Strathfield, Thomas Davidson Hay, aged 63 years.

KIDD.—August 1, at her daughter's (Mrs. Campbell) residence, 4 York-street, Forest Lodge, Agnes Kidd, aged 74 years. A native of Glasgow, Scotland.

LAMBERT.—August 1, 1907, at her late residence, Lambert Heights, Arncliffe, Eliza Stray Lambert, dearly beloved wife of John Lambert, in her 77th year. At rest.

LAMBTON.—August 1, 1907, at his residence, Walmer, Collingwood-street, Drummoyne, Stephen Harbord Lambton, late Deputy Postmaster-General of New South Wales, in his 74th year.

LLOYD.—July 31, at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Maria Eleanor, dearly loved wife of Philip H. Lloyd, in her 43rd year.

LEROUX.—August 1, at his late residence, Canonbury House, Randwick, George Leroux, native of Tourcoing, France, aged 62 years. R.I.P.

IN MEMORIAM.

ABSALOM.—In loving remembrance of my dear husband and our dear father, John A. Absalom, who passed away on August 2, 1905, in his 67th year. As the ivy clings to the oak, our memory clings to thee. Inserted by his affectionate wife and family.

ABSALOM.—In ever loving remembrance of our dear father, John A. Absalom, who departed this life August 2, 1905, at his late residence, 79 Wellington-street, Waterloo, in his 67th year. Lost to sight, to memory dear. Inserted by his son and daughter-in-law, James and Gertrude Absalom.

ABSALOM.—In fond and ever loving remembrance of our dear father, John Absalom Absalom, who departed this life August 2, 1905, at his late residence, 79 Wellington-street, Waterloo, in his 67th year.
We miss thee from our home, dear father,
We miss thee from thy place;
A shadow o'er our life is cast,
We miss the sunshine of thy face.
We miss thy kind and willing hand,
Thy fond and earnest care;
Our home is dark without thee—
We miss thee everywhere.
Inserted by his daughters and sons-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Sayers and Mr. and Mrs. William Willcox.

ANDREW.—In fond and ever-loving memory of my dear mother, Victoria Andrew, who departed this life August 2nd, 1905, at her residence, Victoria Villa, Bondi. Not forgotten. Inserted by her loving son, Richard Andrew.

ANDREW.—A tribute to the cherished memory of my dear mother, Victoria Andrew, who passed from this life August 2nd, 1895, at Victoria Villa, Bondi. Inserted and never forgotten by her son, William George Andrew.

ANDREW.—In affectionate remembrance of my dear mother, Victoria, wife of the late William Andrew, Esq., Woodstock-street, Bondi, died August 2, 1895. Inserted by her loving son, Alfred Andrew.

BULLOCK.—A tribute of love to the memory of my dear wife, Alice Mary Bullock, who departed this life 2nd August, 1905. Peace, perfect peace.

BULLOCK.—In ever loving memory of our daughter and sister, who went home to be with Jesus, August 2nd, 1906. Inserted by Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bullock and brothers and sister.

BULLOCK.—In loving memory of our dearly beloved daughter, Alice Mary, who departed this life 2nd August, 1906. Inserted by her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. F. Pauley. At rest.

BULLOCK.—In sad but loving memory of our dear sister-in-law, Alice, who departed this life August 2, 1906. Inserted by her loving brother and sister-in-law, Frank and Blanche Bullock.

COOPER.—In fond and loving memory of my dear wife, who departed this life August 1, 1905, aged 21 years.
Gentle in ways, patient in pain,
My dear wife left me Heaven to gain;
With actions so noble, generous, and kind,
Few in this world her equal could find.
Inserted by her loving husband, Spencer James Cooper.

COOPER.—In loving memory of my darling sister, Emily Cooper, who died August 1, 1905, aged 21 years.
Believed from sorrow, sin, and pain,
And freed from every care,
By angels hands to Heaven conveyed.
To rest forever there.
Inserted by her fond and loving sister, Ada, Alice, May Atkinson.

DANE.—In sad memory of my dearly beloved daughter and sister, Theresa Dane, who departed this life 2nd August, 1904, of typhoid fever, at the Coast Hospital. Inserted by her loving mother, sister, and brothers.
Her memory is as dear to-day.
As in the hour she passed away.

HEDGER.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Harriett Hedger, who died this life August 2nd, 1905. At rest. Inserted by her loving husband, Joseph Hedger.

HEDGER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Harriett Hedger, who passed away August 2nd, 1905. He giveth His beloved sleep. Inserted by her loving children, Sloane, Harold, Jim, William, and Linda Ray.

MARSHALL.—In fond and loving memory of my dear husband and our dear father, Richard Marshall, who departed this life August 2nd, 1903. Inserted by his fond wife and children.
We miss him most who loved him best.

O'BRIEN.—In loving memory of my dear mother, who departed this life August 2nd, 1905. Inserted by her loving son, William O'Brien.

O'BRIEN.—In fond and loving memory of my dear mother, who died August 2, 1905. Inserted by her loving son, John O'Brien.

[illegible]—In loving memory of our darling Dolly, who [illegible] on August 2, 1904, aged 2 years
[illegible]
has hast left us,
[illegible] with angels now,
glory priceless
shining brow.
joyous childhood
"Child, come here to me."
forest.
And w[illegible] shall follow thee.
Inserted by her loving father and mother.

THORNETT (nee Wright).—In sad but loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Alice Emma, who died at Benalla (Victoria) August 2, 1899; also Richard Charles Allen, only child of the above, died December 7, 1909. Deeply mourned. Inserted by father, mother, sisters, and brothers.

WARBURTON.—In loving remembrance of George Eliot Warburton, who departed this life on August 2nd, 1906.
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As in the hour he passed away.
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FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 1907.

OUR EDUCATION SYSTEM.

Letters which we publish this morning, written from somewhat different points of view, serve to show that interest in, and dissatisfaction with, our higher educational work is by no means extinct. It would be unfair to say that all the good seed sown of recent years, by way of healthy criticism, has fallen on stony ground, but it is to be feared that most of those concerned have decided to make haste slowly, and there is still lacking that vital and imperative impulse of public opinion which is essential to progress. On the one side we see the schools and their masters self-obliged to tread their weary round, and on the other an unfortunate inability on the part of the Government to see the necessity of placing educational reform in the forefront of their programme. Yet progress is being made, and our correspondents take perhaps too pessimistic an attitude. Their comment turns on the recent junior results. One writer draws attention to the strain upon girls and the evils that result. Competition always implies strain, and that has hardly a remedy. But parents who find harm being done have the cure in their hands by giving their children more time. The school teacher has no wish to be a hard taskmaster. Another correspondent notes a number of examples of ignorance in junior papers. They are bad enough, but perhaps they come from young candidates from primary schools; while the papers are now set to test secondary school work. It may be suggested that if the present system is to continue the standard of this examination is not too low as these examples would seem to indicate. In mathematics, languages, and science a creditable amount of work is required. The test has inherent defects, but it may be better than our correspondent suggests, and much good work is done in preparation for it.

A more important aspect of the question is touched on by Mr. Newbery. He points out that science teaching continues to take a very small place in secondary school work. The numbers who attempt a science subject are still an insignificant percentage of the whole, and the standard reached is very feeble. There is this year a slight improvement, but this is due to the work of one or two schools which have taken up, for instance, chemistry. We have all along insisted on the fundamental importance of science work, but we do not wish to be too hard on the schools. Some of the largest of these have responded excellently to criticism, and have begun to take science work seriously and to attempt it in the case of most pupils. It would be well not to discourage these efforts after righteousness. The Department of Public Instruction is also preparing to take a proper attitude towards science teaching, and in due time every large Public school is expected to have a science graduate on its staff. Mr. Board is much to be commended at this point, and in his address recently to the Teachers' Association he went a little further, and spoke plainly of one of the main factors in retarding the progress of reform in secondary school work. We have often discussed the insistence of the University on Latin and the evil effect that insistence has on the schools. It is a good sign that the Under-Secretary for Public Instruction should come publicly to the same conclusion. We have said whatever can be said for the University view, and the weight of argument remains on the other side. The University is strong, but hardly strong enough to stand alone, and it will no doubt end by sacrificing some internal advantages to the well-being of higher education as a whole. To that end Mr. Board's pronouncement ought to be helpful.

MR. MERIVALE ON PREFERENCE.

The president of the Chamber of Commerce made out to his own satisfaction an argument in favour of preference in his address at the annual meeting, based on the decrease in value of Australian imports from the United Kingdom and British possessions, and the increase in imports from foreign countries. As Mr. Merivale presented the figures they are, indeed, quite striking in their way. He thought he was able to prove that, comparing the quinquennial period 1881-5 and 1901-5, Australia showed a decrease of two millions sterling in the value of British imports, and an increase of thirty-nine millions in foreign. That would represent rather a startling state of affairs if we could accept the figures absolutely at their face value. But there are, as usual, discounting considerations which Mr. Merivale has evidently overlooked. The special pleader is always in peril of doing this, however, so that we need not be surprised at this slip on the part of a president of the Chamber of Commerce bent on making out a case for preferential trade—if that was really Mr. Merivale's object. Much depends on the manner in which these figures are selected, and perhaps it is not unfair to remark that the first of his periods happens to coincide with a time when British investment in this part of the world reached to something like "boom" proportions, as we unhappily have still occasion to remember. Mr. Merivale acknowledges this as accounting in some measure for British decrease, but he professes himself unable to account for the great increase in goods from other countries.

"I am of opinion," he says, reasoning from these very hazy premises, "that the change in the course of trade is to be accounted for by the tactics mentioned"—that is to say, "this foreign policy of attacking and undermining British industries and connections in detail." No doubt there may be something in that, and we are entirely with Mr. Merivale in his contention that we must be alert and awake against foreign competition to protect our legitimate trade. That would be a necessity of the case in any event, if we are to hold our own, and sustain that high British trading tradition which has made the race to which we belong the leaders of commerce all over the world. But there is no necessity to raise an hysterical outcry about it. Mr. Merivale essays to make it purely a matter of figures. So it is, supposing always that the figures are compiled according to a uniform system. But everyone knows that recent figures are more accurate than those of twenty years ago, and it is also within common knowledge that in the old days there was no direct sea communication between Australia and the Continent. Our imports came through British ports, whatever their original place of origin. To-day we have the heavily-subsidised German and French liners, and we have Continental wool-buyers taking our products in exchange for the output of those countries. This operation enters into the ordinary course of the balance of trade, and, as Mr. Merivale knows, does not call for any sensational explanation. Meanwhile, it may be remarked that the volume of British trade last year was the largest on record, as was also the increase, while this increase was greater than that of any other country, including Germany and the United States.

THE FEDERAL WEATHER BUREAU.

The papers laid on the table of the present Parliament on Wednesday referring to the location of the Weather Bureau disclose a curious state of affairs. No one is ignorant now, of course, that it is the fixed policy of the Government to concentrate the administration as far as possible in Melbourne. Abundant illustration has been given of that. Our merchants, our telephone users, our patent agents, our defence forces, and others could probably tell us far more than has been publicly made known already if they chose. The question of the capital remains unsettled only in theory. In actual practice and fact it has been established in Melbourne by the centralisation of the administration there, and we know how nearly we came to seeing the meeting-place of the High Court fixed there as well. But we venture to say that in none of these instances, excepting, perhaps, the last and that of the Patents Office, have the circumstances been so extraordinary and even flagrant as we find them in connection with this question of the Federal Weather Bureau. Nothing can be plainer than the succinct statement of facts presented by Mr. Hunt, the Federal Meteorologist, in his report as to the reasons why he favoured Sydney as the proper place for the central station. This city, he says, is the most important telegraphic centre of the continent. It lies almost directly in the centre of the great southern anti-cyclonic stream, which is our chief weather control system. The changes here are more regular, giving a decided advantage over a central station to the south of the continent, which is being constantly affected by low atmospheric pressures.

These and other arguments, technical and other, appear to have been fairly set forth in this report. But Mr. Hunt seems to have permitted himself to be betrayed into one fatal error which has nothing to do with meteorology. Further, he has been shown that he has still something to learn, if he is to succeed in his new career as an officer of the Federal Administration. The acutest weather-prophet might go astray under similar circumstances, for Federal politics are affected by anti-cyclonic streams and atmospheric swirls that are not governed by the data to which Mr. Hunt is accustomed. This gentleman may be an excellent meteorologist, and those who know his work are of opinion that he is. But he is no politician, and the more or less unpleasant duty devolved on the Minister for Home Affairs to tell him so. That unkind office was discharged as tactfully as possible in the awkward circumstances, and the Minister consulted Mr. Hunt's feelings and obeyed the advice of the elderly Judge to his junior at one and the same time by announcing his decision without giving his reasons. The central bureau is to be at Melbourne, "at the temporary seat of government," Mr. Hunt was curtly informed. This will be a salutary lesson to that Federal officer, and to any other Commonwealth official who may be tempted to place his technical knowledge at the service of the Federal authority, except in the way it likes to have it. Of course it was entirely beside the question for Mr. Hunt to remind the Minister that there are 50 years of records, on which the theories of meteorology are wholly built up, available in Sydney.

DARLING HARBOUR.

The Railway Commissioners have made a good start in the way of relieving the congestion at Darling Harbour. At no distant time there must be a wholesale reform introduced, something after the pattern of that suggested by the late Chief Railway Commissioner, Mr. Oliver. That is to say, a scheme, which will doubtless cost a deal of money, will have to be established for the connection of Flemington, on the main suburban line, and Sydenham, on the Illawarra line, with Darling Harbour and Glebe Island, and for furnishing the requirements of the approved change in the system for killing cattle and offering meat for sale. Meanwhile, there is pressing necessity for such an immediate reform as will expedite the handling of the rolling stock. The gratifying and sustained development of the resources of the country has had the effect of making greater demands upon the railway system than can be supplied. We have a recent instance of this in what is known as "the hopper famine," shippers vainly urging the Commissioners to supply them with trucks for the carriage of coal to the wharf. The Commissioners' reply is that there is certainly a shortage of trucks, and their excuse is that until recently the supply was infinitely greater than the demand. Whether or not that is a sufficient excuse need not now be considered, but we may be sure that it will not satisfy shippers who want to send their coal down from Lithgow, and who cannot secure the necessary hoppers.

Besides unforeseen demands of this sort there are the demands which must be foreseen and provided for by the managers of railways in a new and progressive country. One of these is the necessity for improvement in the handling of the traffic in Darling Harbour, and for facilitating the arrival and despatch of trains. In a series of articles on Darling Harbour which was published in the "Herald" two or three months ago, the marvellous increase in the work done and in the quantity and value of the goods carried was emphasised. A striking instance of the difficulties with which the carriage of these goods is surrounded was found in the fact that the whole of the immense traffic has to pass through a narrow tunnel to reach the main line. "Through that tunnel," observed the writer of these articles, "passes a great part of the food that Sydney eats, a great part of the necessaries of life which are distributed among the inland inhabitants of the State, a considerable portion of the wheat consumed by Europe, and fully one-quarter of the clothing of the civilised world in the shape of wool." The obvious thing was to improve the means for handling traffic, in view especially of the approaching wool and wheat seasons, which may be expected to be productive of a great quantity for export. The Commissioners, it will be learned with satisfaction, have taken a course which bids fair to be attended with gratifying success in the direction of expediting the handling of traffic. The scheme, which is fully described elsewhere, includes the construction of reception sidings for the accommodation of loaded trains from the country, leaving the main line free for the handling of empty trains, and for the despatch of full trains to the country. It is expected that the work, which was begun yesterday, will be completed by the middle of October, but presumably it could be finished earlier if occasion demanded. Shippers will welcome the scheme as showing that the Commissioners are minded to do what they can to better conditions, pending the introduction of reforms which will improve Darling Harbour out of recognition.

TROUBLE AT THE TOWN HALL.

It need hardly be explained that any criticisms we may have offered upon the difficulties of administration at the Town Hall have been prompted solely by a desire to see the city take the place it is entitled to among the metropolitan centres of the Commonwealth. To read the replies of aldermen one would imagine that some personal feeling existed on our side. But the attacks they are making seem to indicate that they are afraid of losing status or privilege by a reorganisation of the civic staff, and personal feeling under such conditions is apt to be one-sided. All that has been published has gone to show how urgent is the case for prompt action, and we make no apology for again directing the citizens' attention to the evidences of disorganisation. This morning the town clerk is shown to be reporting upon the publicity we have given to the condition of the electrical engineer's department. It is implied that we have sought to mislead the public in this connection, and we refer our readers to our news columns for a rejoinder. Mr. Nesbitt will see that any suggestion of suppressing Mr. Rooke's report came from aldermen themselves, and that the report referred to was Mr. Rooke's—not that of the electric light committee. No good purpose can be served by imputing motives, and we make no effort at explaining why certain aldermen and the town clerk are so anxious to prove us in the wrong. At the same time, it is clear that publicity has disconcerted some of the city fathers, and that the time has come to push reform to a definite and effective conclusion.

The great question now is to decide as to the best course to pursue under difficult circumstances. We realise, of course, that the present condition of things cannot continue. There is apparently a disposition at the Town Hall to assume that disorganisation and indiscipline are figments of newspaper imagination, and the citizens must be prepared to fight for reform by insisting upon the truth. The best evidence of the truth is to be found in the state of the city and in the electrical engineer's report. Mr. Rooke is so capable an officer that his demands cannot be disregarded, and the committee's decision to make further inquiry is a wise one. Yet a question may be asked here. In a matter involving so much that is highly technical, would it not be well to have the assistance of experts on the committee who may be trusted to take a perfectly dispassionate view of the position? Discipline may not be more a matter for the expert than for the layman, but much else is involved upon which discipline rests, and there is every reason why the inquiry should be made unchallengeable. The cleansing of the city is so important a matter that Mr. Gordon's report when it is ready must also be dispassionately considered. But when the last word has been said on the departments administered by these gentlemen, it will still be necessary to decide upon the larger question of comprehensive control. A correspondent this morning points out that there must be a single head. No large business establishment is ever run successfully under divided authority, and the suggestion is offered that the town clerk must be held responsible for the entire management of the municipal staff. If he is capable and efficient he will soon prove so by results, and to give him full authority will undoubtedly be the supreme test of sound organisation. It will not serve to temporise or compromise. No effort to let officers down lightly or to gloss flagrant ineptitude will meet the case, and the outcome of the present trouble must be real and abiding reform if the city is to be properly cleansed, lighted, and otherwise ordered.

Saturday's "Herald."—On account of the large amount of advertising matter which has to be dealt with for Saturday's issue of the "Herald," advertisers and agents are requested to send in their advertisements as early as possible to-day, in order to facilitate classification.

Masters and Men.—The award of the Arbitration Court in the Shop Assistants' Union case was considered at a meeting of the committee of the Master Retailers' Association held at the offices, 114 Pitt-street, yesterday. It was decided to call a general meeting of the association for Thursday next, when, in all probability, a line of action will be decided upon, in anticipation of the union applying to have the award made a common rule throughout the greater metropolitan area. The effect of the award was explained to the shop assistants at the Queen's Hall last night by Mr. Beeby, who had represented the union before the Arbitration Court. He said the preliminary steps towards moving the Court to extend the award, so as to embrace the whole of the metropolitan area, were now in hand, and he hoped that, before September 9, to have this common rule application before the Court. He reckoned that the difference in the wages payable out, if the common rule should be applied, would be £60,000 per annum. It was mentioned by Mr. P. J. Caldecott, the treasurer of the union, that steps were now being taken by the assistants here to form a federal council of the shop assistants in the different States. "We will then, if possible," he added, "form a federation of shop assistants throughout the Commonwealth and have a standard rate of wages."

A Painful Case.—An action which has been tried twice, was brought before the Full Court yesterday. On January 12, last year, Robert MacGregor Campbell was engaged repairing the top wheel of the elevator used by Messrs. Binnie Brothers, of Kent-street, and while so doing the lift was started, and his right arm was torn off. He brought an action against the firm named, charging their servants with negligence in not warning him before setting the lift in motion. They called evidence to show that warning was given, and that plaintiff was guilty of contributory negligence in that he failed to use a screw at the top of the lift which would have made it impossible to start the machinery without his knowledge. In the first action the jury disagreed; but a new trial took place at the last Jury sittings, when a verdict was returned in Campbell's favour, with damages £500. Yesterday defendants asked for a rule nisi for a new trial, but this was refused. Since the initiation of the proceedings plaintiff has become blind.

Enoch Arden with a Difference.—The case of John Keegan, who, after meeting with a serious accident by which his mental and physical faculties were impaired, wandered about for 14 or 15 years, and then returned to Sydney, only to find that he was supposed to be dead, was again before the Full Court yesterday. During Keegan's absence the Minister for Works, as the constructing authority, resumed his conditional purchase of 82 acres, situated in the parish of Southend, in connection with the construction of the Cataract dam, and Mrs. Keegan having obtained letters of administration in the estate she was paid the resumption money. At first the Crown disputed the identity of Keegan with the owner of the land, but this point having been satisfactorily cleared up he asked for a valuation of his property so that he, too, might get compensation. This request the Minister for Works refused to comply with, and yesterday an application was made for a mandamus to compel him to do so. The argument is not yet concluded.

Men Who Won't Work.—Judge Murray, in passing sentence upon three men, each about 30 years of age who were convicted of assault with intent to rob, stated, at Darlinghurst yesterday, that the law very rightly provided that men of this class, who lived by stealing from other people, were not to be permitted to remain a danger and an annoyance to the general community. With the bad records that they had in the way of previous convictions, they were fast qualifying themselves to be regarded as habitual criminals. If the Court said that a man must be treated as an habitual offender he was practically sentenced to imprisonment for life, because he would be for all time kept under supervision. "This is not a country," his Honor added, "where a man can say that he cannot get employment. As a matter of fact the actual number of men required to carry out public works and other works is running short." "In these circumstances," continued the Judge, "it is perfectly outrageous that men should look to dishonesty for a living." The prisoners were sentenced to three years' imprisonment in Parramatta gaol.

Quarantining of the Aorangi.—"It seems very necessary that an exposure of the antiquated, absurd, and inconsistent methods of the Health authorities in connection with the quarantine regulations should be made" (writes Mr. W. M. Hughes, M.P.). "The facts of the quarantining of the R.M.S. Aorangi in Watson's Bay are well known. To keep a mail steamer already cleared at an Australian port waiting for 14 hours is a scandalous thing. Dr. Thompson has tried to justify it. Unfortunately for him I am now in possession of information which shows his department, long ago condemned for narrow and absurd red-tape methods by the general public, stands now condemned even by its own practice. The steamer Cycle, from South Africa, with repatriated Australians, called first at Melbourne, and entered Watson's Bay about 7.30 p.m. About 9.30 p.m. the same night the doctor came off and passed the ship. Steam was then made, and the vessel reached the wharf about midnight. The Aorangi, a mail steamer, reaches Watson's Bay in broad daylight. The doctor declines to come off until next morning. The Aorangi was passed at Brisbane; the Cycle at Melbourne. The Aorangi had a clean bill of health at Brisbane, and there was no sickness on the way down. The doctor when he came off in the morning never examined us. Medically speaking, he never even looked at us."

The Comet.—A photograph of the comet now visible in the north-east near the Pleiades, obtained with the 12-inch astrographic telescope at the Red Hill branch of the Sydney Observatory, shows three well-defined streamers in the tail, with these still further divided some distance from the nucleus towards the limit of the illumination.

Immigrants for Queensland.—The G.M.S. Yorck, which arrived at Sydney yesterday, had on board 155 single men for the Queensland sugar plantations. They comprise 33 Britons, 81 Scandinavians, and 41 Austrians. The immigrants will leave to-morrow by steamer for Brisbane. The R.M.S. Ortona, which arrived at Fremantle yesterday, brought another batch of 187 immigrants, including many foreigners, also for the Queensland canefields.

The Jerry-builder.—At the Royal Society's Hall last night, after the reading of a paper by Mr. E. A. Roberts, F.I.A., on "Statutory Qualification and Registration for Architects," a discussion took place on the standing of the local profession, the lecturer having outlined movements in other countries which aimed at raising it. Mr. A. W. Anderson deplored the existing chaotic state of things in New South Wales. He knew of hundreds of houses put up in the Eastern suburbs by people who had no professional training. As things stood, there was nothing to prevent the boy who delivered the milk in the morning from putting up a brass plate and calling himself an architect. He thought that with the advance of sanitary science the need for proper qualifications became greater. Mr. H. C. Kent said that the great difficulty was the initial one of starting the profession free from those who had no right to be in it. A doctor's mistakes, it had been said, were buried; an architect's mistakes remained for ever—or rather, unfortunately, they often came down. Now an architect needed to be far more highly qualified. They had almost reached the stage of specialisation. They had such things as ferro-concrete and iron and steel construction to deal with, which were unknown to a past generation. In fact, in many ways their profession demanded a large knowledge of engineering.

Reduced Freights.—With a view to encouraging the export of apples, the Railway Commissioners have passed a bylaw reducing considerably the freight on that fruit when forwarded in lots of not less than five tons. The freight on saw-milling machinery has also been reduced, and the special rates for the carriage of manures, announced some weeks ago, have now been given effect to. The concession of a ticket at single-journey rate for the return journey for an attendant upon stock sent in not less than two truck lots, has also been embodied in a bylaw, and now comes into operation. The rates for the Trundle line, to be opened on August 6, have been published.

A Question of Discipline.—The electric light committee of the City Council last night adopted a report for presentation to the council respecting the failure of the electric lighting system of the city on the evening of May 13. The report is against the city electrical engineer, in a sense that it upholds assistant-engineer Broe, whom Mr. Rooke is alleged to have called upon to resign. The cause of the breakdown is attributed to the failure of the high-tension cable system. The committee recognises the gravity of the issue raised by Mr. Rooke in regard to the disorganised state of the service, and intimates the intention of holding a special inquiry into the matter at a future date. The details of the report were discussed in camera, and the completed document was handed to the press representatives at the conclusion of the meeting.

Bridging the Harbour.—In pursuance of the movement for the construction of the North Shore Bridge a meeting was held last night at the Mosman Town Hall under the presidency of the Mayor of Mosman (Alderman P. Leahy). It was decided to form a branch of the Sydney and North Shore Junction League, which is urging the construction of the bridge recommended by the advisory board connecting Dawes and M'Mahon's points. There was a number of speakers, including Messrs. Harding, Duff, J. Barre-Johnston, Webb, S. Smith, Garten, Wilson, and W. Scott Fell. Mr. Harding moved that the bridge should be constructed according to the plans approved of by the advisory board, and Mr. Hugh Duff seconded the proposal. Mr. J. Barre-Johnston, however, considered that the Government should not be bound down to any definite scheme, as the circumstances were not quite the same as when the board of experts made its recommendation. But the majority was of the opposite opinion, and urged that no other committee should have the question submitted to it, as the scheme might be so amended as to keep it dangling before the people for another long period. The motion was carried by a large majority.

Departing Kanakas.—The steamer Induna, which will leave Sydney this morning for the New Hebrides, has on board 103 kanakas, who are returning to the islands. They arrived yesterday in the Yongala from Queensland. The Peregrine, which left Brisbane on Wednesday, is bringing 46 kanakas, who will be transhipped to the Malaita, which will leave for the islands to-morrow.

Latest Royal Mail Steamer.—The Royal Mail Steampacket Company entertained a large crowd of visitors on June 22 at Southampton to inspect their fine new twin-screw steamer the Avon, with a gross register of more than 11,000 tons, which left on her maiden trip to South America on June 28. The Avon is the latest addition to the splendid "A" quartet, comprising the Aragon, Amazon, and Araguava, which the Royal Mail Company have placed on their South American mail service. The Asturias, now nearing completion, is one of the celebrated "A" class, and will enter the Australian mail service in connection with the Orient-Royal mail line. The Avon is a first-class liner of palatial equipment. Her lines are graceful, and she scarcely looks her tonnage. Aboard one can find almost all those improvements and luxuries which have caused the great Atlantic liners to be dubbed "floating hotels." The Avon is peculiarly well equipped, with marvellous "cabins de luxe," and a feature has been made of single-berth cabins for the use of those who do not care to share their accommodation with the casual fellow-traveller. The practical arrangements in the way of providing for the comfort of passengers are excellent, the introduction of electric fans in all the cabins being a notable advance in this respect. The nursery, specially arranged for babies and small children, which adjoins the saloon, is a novel and yet most essential feature. The Avon is 535ft in length, with a beam of over 62ft.

A Novel Objection.—As a rule, net-fishermen are the first to ask that the bars which periodically form across the mouths of the coastal lagoons in which fish are plentiful should be demolished, but the Fisheries Board on Wednesday received a protest against this course being followed at the mouth of Lake Illawarra. This magnificent nursery has been closed to the sea by a bar for some time, and the lake has risen so substantially that the operations carried on at the Albion Park creamery have been retarded thereby, probably because the salt water of the lake has backed up its fresh-water tributaries. The employees at the creamery have been [illegible] at work cutting a channel through the bar to let the lake out to sea—an arduous and long task at all times. The netters consider the time inopportune for their work, as the lake is fairly well supplied with fish, which will escape to sea if the lake be opened, so they asked the board to stop the creamery men. The board said it had no power to interfere.

Mosquitoes and Fish.—Mr. D. G. Stead, naturalist to the Fisheries Department, has furnished the Board of Fisheries with a report concerning the influence

MASSACRE IN MOROCCO.

KABYLES INVADE CASABLANCA.

A HOLY WAR PROCLAIMED.

MURDER OF MANY EUROPEANS.

REFUGEES AT TANGIER.

LONDON, Aug. 1.

Europeans at Casablanca, on the west coast of Morocco, have been massacred by native tribesmen, who invaded the town for the purpose.

A German ship brought to Tangier a large number of Jewish refugees from Casablanca. They declare that three tribes becoming angry because of the new control of the Customs and the progress of the harbour and tramway works, entered the town uttering threats to massacre all foreigners.

STORY OF AN EYEWITNESS.

A man, claiming to be an eyewitness, declared that the tribes, having entered the city, proclaimed a holy war. Five Frenchmen, including a fireman and a foreman of works, named respectively Rata and Masse, employed on the harbour works, two Italians, and a Spaniard, were killed. The natives then pillaged European shops. The refugees escaped by bribing soldiers guarding the harbour and the town gates.

A later message states that a massacre occurred at noon. The natives of the town, after announcing that the tribes were about to enter the town to massacre the French workmen, attacked the Frenchmen with clubs and knives, and burned the corpses. It was 8 in the evening before the fugitives were able to leave the town.

M. Neuville, the French Consul at Casablanca, remained at his post.

THE TRIBESMENS' PRETEXT.

Dr. Merle, a Frenchman from Casablanca, has reached Tangier. He states that many natives entered the town on the pretext of selling corn. They assembled at the harbour works, and insulted and killed native guards. Thereupon some armed European workman appeared but they were instantly assailed and massacred.

According to the captain of the German ship, the outbreak was due to the Governor of the town not taking precautions to prevent the incursion of the tribesmen.

The French cruiser Galilee has proceeded to Casablanca.

Despatches received by M. Pichon, the French Minister for Foreign Affairs, confirm the reports of the massacre. The French Government has taken measures to assist foreigners at Casablanca in case of need.

BODIES PROFANED AND MUTILATED.

According to the correspondent of the "Tribune" fifty armed Kabyles were the authors of the massacres. The tramway workshops were destroyed. Many workmen were killed, and their bodies profaned and mutilated. The Kabyles then returned to their villages.

Casablanca (the "white house") is a small seaport on the west coast of Morocco, about midway between Mazagan and Rabat. It was at this port that Germany attempted strenuously at the Algeciras Conference to obtain control, and at one time was on the point of breaking off negotiations because France would not give way in her determination that in all the ports open to trade the police should be under the joint control of French and Spanish officers. It was only when it became apparent that Great Britain, Russia, and the United States were prepared to go to extremes to support France that Germany withdrew from her position.

The Kabyles, who are said to have committed the massacre at Casablanca, form a portion of the great Berber race, the original inhabitants of North Africa. Though greatly mixed with Caucasian and Semitic blood through the successive conquests of the country by Romans, vandals, and Arabs, they are essentially a Hamitic race. In Morocco they are subject to the Sultan in name only.

COLONIAL NAVAL POLICY.

MOTHERLAND'S ALLEGED NEGLECT.

ADMIRALTY'S REFUTATION.

LONDON, July 31.

During the debate in the House of Lords last night on maritime defence Lord Brassey complained that the reasonable demands of the colonies for the loan of vessels suitable for training seamen had not been granted. He added that the motherland ought also to supply large cruisers and ocean destroyers for the protection of Australian trade.

Lord Tweedmouth, First Lord of the Admiralty, in reply, denied that colonial interests had been neglected. The provision of a well-manned Australian flotilla of destroyers and submarines would be a very substantial defence against casual raids, and also of the greatest assistance to the British Fleet in the event of war. Personally, he did not believe in sending odd cruisers to odd places all over the world. The essence of modern naval policy was fleet concentration.

JAPAN'S FUTURE INTENTIONS.

ENOUGH ON HAND.

LONDON, July 31.

Admiral Idjuin, during the course of an interview at Paris, said that the Japanese had enough to do in Korea and Manchuria, and had no desire to interfere in the Philippines or Indo-China.

He expressed most friendly sentiments towards the United States, which he regarded as a financial Colossus.

THE ALL RED ROUTE.

ALLEGED IMPRACTICABILITY.

LONDON, July 31.

The "Standard" publishes a statement by Sir Charles Dilke, who says that he is convinced that the proposed All Red mail route to Australia, via Canada and New Zealand, is impracticable, as it would only provide a summer service.

Moreover, Sir Charles Dilke says that the evidence submitted to the committee of inquiry shows that if all the first and second class passengers on the Canadian route and half the third-class used the proposed All Red line, there would still be a loss of over a million sterling.

DEATH OF MR. JOSEPH HATTON.

LONDON, Aug. 1.

It is announced of Mr. Joseph Hatton, well-known journalist, aged 66 years.

Mr. Joseph Hatton was correspondent in Europe of the "Sydney Morning Herald," and was also correspondent of the London "Times." He represented the latter on a special mission to America, and wrote the London "Sunday Times," "Cruise of the Cruel London," "Tallants of Tallant," "Order of the Czar," "Princess Sonia," "The Greek Meets Greek," and "Cleopatra's Beauty;" and among his miscellaneous works are "The New Ceylon," "Romances of American Finance," "J. L. Toole's Reminiscences," "Journalistic London," "London Town," and "London and New."

NAVAL CONSTRUCTION.

NEW TYPE OF CRUISER.

THE PUBLIC DISQUIET.

LONDON, Aug. 1.

Mr. E. Robertson, Secretary to the Admiralty, speaking in the House of Commons last night on the shipbuilding vote of the navy estimates, stated that the British flotilla of torpedo boat destroyers was superior in essential qualities to any foreign flotilla.

The further construction of large armoured cruisers was not required immediately, in view of our superiority in this class. Attention in connection with the programme of 1908 was therefore being directed to an improvement on the scouts, secondly to the evolution of a new type to succeed the Edgar class of protected cruisers of 7350 tons.

Mr. Robertson then proceeded to describe the Boadicea type of third-class cruiser, which would be largly superior in coal endurance and armament to the scout class, and would be suitable as a parent ship to the torpedo boat destroyers. This class would also be suitable for service on foreign stations.

Mr. Robertson showed that there had been no cheeseparing in making repairs to vessels of the fleet. Reports as to discharges of employees from dockyards had been abandoned.

Mr. A. J. Balfour, leader of the Opposition, said that the whole disquiet in the public mind related to repairs. He was convinced that this disquiet would be ended if the Admiralty on its own authority would state in regard to each ship whether criticism was accurate.

The "Times," in commenting upon the statement of the Secretary to the Admiralty and on the speech of Mr. Balfour, states that Mr. Balfour has pointed to the true remedy for public disquiet, and trusts that it will forthwith be applied.

The "Times" emphasises that in regard to cruisers we are on the eve of a new departure, and the problem will involve exhaustive study and perhaps much controversy before it is solved.

The First Lord of the Admiralty, in his statement of construction in the Navy, said that in the Boadicea "special attention had been given to her capabilities for accompanying destroyers, and acting as a parent ship, in addition to carrying out the peace duties of a light cruiser." Thus the Boadicea, in addition to acting primarily as a parent ship for destroyers, will be specially adapted for the work of a cruiser in narrow waters—that is, for the discharge of the functions of inshore or shore scouting—functions which are essentially distinct from those of blue-water scouting.

BELFAST LABOUR DISPUTES.

MILITARY PRECAUTIONS.

LONDON, July 31.

There are 5000 troops in Belfast owing to the strikes of dockers and carters.

Insubordination in the police force is steadily increasing.

Strikes in sympathy with the Belfast dockers and carters are expected in other towns.

THE NEW HEBRIDES.

LONDON, July 31.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Colonies, stated in the House of Commons last night that the delay in proclaiming the New Hebrides Convention had been due to complicated legal questions. The regulations under the Convention had been altered, he said, but not the Convention itself.

PRIVY COUNCIL APPEALS.

A DEBT TO THE CROWN.

LONDON, Aug. 1.

In the appeal of the plaintiff in the case of the Attorney-General of New South Wales versus the Curator of Intestate Estates, the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in its reserved judgment has allowed the appeal, but has made no order regarding costs.

The facts of this case were that Mattson, an inmate of Callan Park, died, and the Curator of Intestate Estates obtained an order to administer the estate, the result being that he collected £200 on the life policy of the deceased. A claim was afterwards made by the Master in Lunacy for £68, arrears due for the maintenance of the lunatic. The Curator, however, declined to pay the sum demanded, on the ground that the fund was protected by the provisions of the Life, Fire, and Marine Insurance Act, 1902. The Attorney-General thereupon applied to Mr. Justice Walker, Probate Judge, for an order for the payment of the money. His Honor quoted the 4th section of the Act, which as far as it was material provided—"That property and interest of every person who has effected or shall effect any policy for an insurance, bona fide, upon the life of himself or any other person in whose life he is interested, or for any future endowment for himself or other such person . . . . . shall be exempt from any law now or hereafter in force relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or from being assessed or levied upon by or under the process of any Court whatever." His Honor said it appeared to him, in view of the words at the conclusion of the section above quoted, that by necessary implication the Crown was as much excluded as an ordinary creditor, because the protection which the Act affords was afforded, not expressly by depriving any particular creditor or class of creditors of their remedy, but by imposing upon the assets themselves a general and absolute immunity. The Attorney-General appealed to the Full Court, consisting of the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Cohen, and Mr. Justice Pring, and that tribunal, by majority (Mr. Justice Cohen being the dissentient), upheld the decision of the Probate Court. The Attorney-General then went to the Privy Council, and petitioned to have the decision reviewed. The petition has now been granted by the Privy Council.

MUNICIPAL PREFERENTIAL LIGHTING CHARGES.

The appeal of the plaintiff in the case of the Attorney-General of Victoria on behalf of the Metropolitan Gas Company versus the Mayor of Melbourne has been dismissed with costs.

In this case, styled the Attorney-General on the relation of the Metropolitan Gas Company v the Mayor, etc., of the city of Melbourne, the action was brought on the ground that the City Corporation had infringed section 30 of the Electric Light and Power Act of 1896, which forbids preferential charges to consumers, and provides for a uniform charge for electric supply. The corporation, in supplying electricity, charge at two alternative rates, either of which might be chosen by consumers. An injunction was asked for by the Gas Company to restrain the corporation from charging in that way. The case was heard before the Full Court (Mr. Justice a'Beckett, Mr. Justice Hodges, and Mr. Justice Hood) in November, 1905, and the injunction asked for was granted with costs. The decision was reversed by the High Court of Australia at the end of last year, and the Gas Company then carried an appeal to the Privy Council, which has upheld the decision of the High Court.

A NEWSPAPER'S APPEAL.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council has allowed with costs the appeal of the Lyttelton (N.Z.) "Times" Company in its action with Warners.

TRANSVAAL MINERAL OUTPUT.

LONDON, Aug. 1.

The mineral output of the Transvaal for the year ended June 30 was valued at £30,729,831, including gold £26,648,452, and diamonds £2,147,097.

CONTRABAND OF WAR.

HAGUE CONFERENCE ABOLISHES.

LONDON, Aug. 1.

The fourth committee at the Hague International Conference, by 25 to 5 votes, has adopted the British proposal abolishing contraband of war.

The United States, Germany, Russia, Montenegro, and France constituted the minority. Japan, Spain, and the representatives of two other nations, abstained from voting.

With regard to contraband, Great Britain declares: "With a view to diminishing the difficulties met in war by the commerce of neutrals, the Government of his Britannic Majesty is ready to abandon the principle of contraband in cases of war between Powers which sign a convention to the same effect. The right of search will not be exercised, except for establishing the neutral character of the mercantile ship."

THE TEST MATCH.

ENGLAND DEFEATS SOUTH AFRICA.

LONDON, Aug. 1.

The test match, South Africa versus England, was concluded yesterday, and resulted in a win for England by 53 runs.

England's second innings closed for 162, and South Africa scored no more than 75. Blythe took seven wickets for 40. There were several adjournments owing to the rain.

Scores were:—

ENGLAND.—First Innings, 76. Second Innings, 162.

SOUTH AFRICA.—First Innings, 110. Second Innings, 75.

THE ENGLISH CRICKET TEAM.

EIGHT INVITATIONS.

LONDON, Aug. 1.

Invitations to join the English cricket team to visit Australia under the captaincy of A. O. Jones (Notts) have been issued to the following:—

T. HAYWARD (Surrey).
J. T. TYLDESLEY (Lancashire).
J. HUMPHRIES (Derbyshire).
L. C. BRAUND (Surrey and Somerset).
C. BLYTHE (Kent).
G. H. HIRST (Yorkshire).
E. ARNOLD (Worcestershire).
A. A. LILLEY (Warwickshire).

Of the eight mentioned in the above cable seven have already visited Australia, the exception being Humphries, whose name was not included in the latest available list of averages. When the last mail left England Hayward was at the head of the batting averages with 46.83 for 17 innings, while Tyldesley's 23 innings averaged 43.95. The other averages were:—Braund, 33.44; Lilley, 33.33; Arnold, 30.30; and Hirst, 23.33. Only the names of those averaging 20 and over were not published, which accounts for Blythe's being missing, but he headed the English bowling averages, having taken 99 wickets at the low cost of 10.45, although Tom Richardson, African Schwars had done better by taking 54 wickets for 8.09. The others mentioned in the bowling were: Hirst 69 wickets for 13.07, and Arnold 41 for 16.65.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

ZINC CORPORATION.

LONDON, Aug. 1.

The directors of the Zinc Corporation have resolved to increase the capital of the corporation by the creation of 162,000 preference shares of £1.

NEW ZEALANDER'S ESTATE.

The English estate of the late Mr. Leonard Marshall, formerly of New Zealand, has been valued at £15,244.

LORD BEAUCHAMP.

Earl Beauchamp, Captain of the Gentlemen-at-Arms of the King's Household, has been appointed Lord Steward in succession to the Earl of Liverpool.

SOLDIERING IN INDIA.

AUSTRALIAN OFFICERS' EXPERIENCES.

MAJOR LUSCOMBE'S RETURN.

"I am glad to get back again," said Major Luscombe, D.A.Q.M.G., who returned to Sydney yesterday by the R.M.S. Moldavia, after an absence of nearly a year in Great Britain and India.

Major Luscombe's visit to India was for the purpose of participating in the instructional scheme necessitating an interchange of officers. He arrived shortly before Christmas, and was first attached to the staff of Lieutenant-Colonel Richardson, who was in command of the 6th Division at Poona. About a month was spent in camp at Aundh, six miles from Poona. "It was a most interesting camp," said Major Luscombe, "six batteries of Field Artillery firing most of the time, and doing excellent shooting. Next the division journeyed to concentration schemes a few miles distant, where extensive manoeuvring was carried out for about a week. The country lent itself admirably to the scheme, being hilly and scrubby. Lord Kitchener, Lord Lamington, Generals Smith Dorrien and Bowles, and a host of others high in military circles were present. There was no blank firing, but real solid work, with howitzer, field gun, and small arms, pelting shot and shell. Between 7000 and 8000 men took part in an assault on a heavily entrenched position, where the highest art in military science had been brought to bear in the construction of beautifully-made earth works, and other defensive essentials. Finally the position was stormed and carried at the point of the bayonet in as realistic a manner as possible under circumstances not actual war. Native troops, including regiments of pioneers and cavalry, took part.

"The native troops are a fine body of men, especially the cavalry. These are well horsed, and know their work thoroughly. It was a pleasure to see them scouting."

After leaving Poona, Major Luscombe accompanied Lieutenant-Colonel Richardson to Bombay to take part in the functions connected with the reception of the Amir of Afghanistan. "The Amir is an extremely intelligent man," said Major Luscombe. "His grasp of the English language is limited, but he keeps his eyes open and in touch with everything wherever he goes."

Subsequently Major Luscombe visited Lucknow. Signs of the mutiny were everywhere visible, and the ravages made by shot and shell were as plain as in '57. During the division's stay of six weeks at Lucknow, the average daily death list among the natives from plague was about 300. From Lucknow a visit was paid to Cawnpore, Agra, where the famous Taj was inspected; Delhi, India's ancient capital, and Quetta, in Beluchistan. "The Beluchis and Pathans are a fine race physically," remarked Major Luscombe, "but it was just as well to take one's revolver when engaged in a stiff ride."

In reply to a question as to how the Indian militia compared with our own, Major Luscombe replied that in point of general efficiency, ours more than held their own.

"I was surprised at the number of people who had been in Australia, or who knew persons living here," he added. "Several gentlemen possessing a fair amount of capital were anxious to know something of the conditions prevailing here, and you may feel assured that I 'barracked' for Australia for all I was worth. It is a very difficult matter to gauge the feeling of people numbering hundreds of millions, but I saw no signs of anything but loyalty among the native soldiery."

PROFESSIONAL ETIQUETTE.

STRONG COMMENTS BY CORONER.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The coroner to-day made some strong comments on the refusal of two doctors to attend a confinement case because another medical man had been engaged. He said they declined to attend on a plea which was practically one of etiquette, but that might have been overridden by the dangerous condition of the deceased. Mrs. Comerford's life would probably have been prolonged had they answered the call. He thought it was very discreditable that a doctor did not attend the case. The coroner found that death was due to fatty disease of the heart and hemorrhage.

THE UNPEOPLED NORTH.

PEGGING OUT THE CLAIM.

THE POPULATION PROBLEM.

"What we want to do first of all is to peg out our claim." This is the way the immediate need of the unpeopled north is put by Mr. William Cope, the well-known solicitor of this city, who knows his Australia well, and who recently returned from a visit to Northern Queensland, where he has considerable pastoral interests.

Mr. Cope, like all others who have looked at the problem of the North, is keenly alive to the menace of the races to the further north, who were navigators before the native of England had left off staining his body with woad, and who have for centuries been in communication with out north-west coast. He also sees the absurdity of expending all our energy in fortifying the south when no enemy would dream of attacking that quarter so long as such wide-open doors invited him at the other end of the continent. But Mr. Cope does not expect to solve the problem of that menace by the sudden filling of our northern emptiness with people. He urges that any scheme having that in view is predestined to failure. "What we want is to peg out our claim—show the hungry nations that we are as least occupying the vast territory in some sort. Even though we do not put into it a tithe of the people it will eventually carry, it will do away with the excuse for aggression."

What Mr. Cope suggests is that cheap telegraph lines should be run out, with a few stations dotted here and there, which would have the effect of eliminating at once the isolation that is now such a formidable drawback to settlement of any kind. He argues that these stations will become ports of business call for the overlanding drovers, and bases for prospectors and must inevitably work up to centres of mineral and pastoral communities. They will represent the first sound steps towards the evolution of a big population—an evolution that will come soundly, based on mining and pastoral pursuits, and eventually taking in closer settlement wherever such is possible. A population built up in this way, although it contemplates a lengthy process, is a sure and a safe one, and the procedure obviates all the risks that must attend the dumping down of detachments of immigrants here and there in a country whose conditions are so new to them, and whose distances from the older settlements are so great. As to the introduction of coloured labour, that is a question that could come forward later, but in the meantime Mr. Cope expresses the view that there is no objection to the introduction of such labour, provided it is strictly controlled, and provided also that it is drawn from within the British Empire.

In his recent trip Mr. Cope travelled almost across Queensland to the Gulf of Carpentaria, and he declares that the country throughout looks well. There is, he says, still thousands of square miles of land to be taken up in the country through which the central railway passes out back, and much of it appears to be good for carrying cattle. Everywhere he went there was an abundance of the grass peculiar to that locality—a growth which, though not so good as Mitchell grass, is at any rate cattle-sustaining. Speaking in reference to the tick pest, Mr. Cope said that on his runs it does not cause him the trouble it did formerly. Nature seems to be adjusting matters in the way of increasing the natural enemies of the tick, and the cattle themselves appear to get "salted" as it were so that the pest does not affect them nearly as much as it did at first. As a matter of fact he, with an eye to the survival of the fittest, as well as keeping the "salted" idea in mind, seldom introduces clean bulls to his herds, but prefers to get good ones that have sustained the attacks of the pest. Mr. Cope is not hopeful of ever exterminating the tick from the great herds of cattle in the north of Australia now. It was introduced with the buffalo from the East, and unfortunately it is here to stay.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The suggestion of the president of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce, to people the Northern Territory with a black race already accustomed to British rule, and appreciating its gentle sway, is decidedly excellent, and the reasons he gives should commend themselves to every Australian patriot.

But will Mr. Merivale in the chamber descend in the political arena where such a question would have to be fought out, and so to say, anoint himself, gladiator-like, with the atmosphere there to champion the cause?

Aux ames bien nees la patrie est chere.

The cause is worthy of a great champion, and he who undertakes to lead it will well deserve of his country. I am, etc.,

NEMO.

THE QUIRINDI TRAGEDY.

PURSUIT OF THE FUGITIVE.

BILL SYKES'S DOG REVIVED.

NO TRACE YET DISCOVERED.

QUIRINDI, Thursday.

George Tofft, who killed Maud Fletcher, is still at large. Constables Gardiner and Hawkins, with black trackers, have left the police station. This afternoon Constable Carroll was told by a woman that a white kangaroo dog, said to belong to Tofft, was seen coming from the hill beyond the town. It afterwards went back, in response to a whistle or call.

The police are baffled with regard to the trail. Footprints, said to resemble those of Tofft's pointed boots, were found in a paddock, but the traces were afterwards lost.

Senior-constable Cronin, of Tambar Springs, Constable Cullen, of Nundle, and a couple of other police, from the north-west joined in pursuit of the murderer yesterday.

It is stated that Geo. Tofft visited the house of a boundary-rider on Colly Creek (Darby Achurch) about 6 o'clock yesterday morning and took away some provisions. Achurch's house is in a lane connecting Warrah Ridge-road with Braefield-road. Tofft is believed to be without a supply of food, and places have been left in charge of him strictly watched. No information is available about the ammunition he is supposed to have. Yesterday the front of the scene of the tragedy was worked by the police right to the foot of Colly Creek hill.

Tofft, after borrowing a Winchester rifle from Reece, said he wanted to shoot some pigs. Superintendent Le Boutillier is actively directing the pursuit in every direction, but so far there is not the slightest trace of Tofft. Superintendent Le Boutillier believes Tofft to be in the vicinity of the town, and is sure to be captured, as he will have to get food somewhere. The Coroner cannot issue a murder warrant until the completion of the inquest, Tofft is a fast pedestrian. The police have a photo of him in running costume.

The Coroner, Mr. Hungerford, formally reopened the inquest on the death of Maud Fletcher yesterday. No evidence was taken, and it was adjourned till Friday.

The body of the dead girl was interred yesterday afternoon in the Church of England Cemetery. The Rev. Mr. King read the funeral prayers. The mother was terribly affected at home when the funeral left. The father was also greatly affected at the graveside. When examined for post-mortem purposes by Dr. Mead, Government Medical Officer, he discovered the bullet had struck the girl in the buttock and it came out at the groin. The wound would not likely have been fatal. The blow inflicted on the back of the head of the girl was probably the cause of death.

FIND OF FLOATING WOOL.

A CURIOUS CASE.

PERTH (W.A.), Thursday.

The Full Court, consisting of the Chief Justice and Justice Burnside, were occupied yesterday hearing an appeal in a rather curious case. In August, 1906, Charles Austin, fisherman of Onslow, discovered a bale of wool floating in the mangroves that fringe a local inland. Next day he discovered further bales of wool, and secured nine in all. He took possession of the wool, and retained it until Richard Hancock and others arrived on the scene and claimed it.

According to Hancock's story, Alex Hansen had been conveying a cargo of wool for Dalgety and Co. from Yardie Creek to Onslow in his cutter, the Cossack, when nine bales fell overboard. An attempt was made to get them aboard again, but in their soaked condition they proved too heavy for the available gear, and so they were allowed to drift on to the inland, care having first been taken to lash them.

Despite the explanation, Austin persisted in claiming nine bales as his property, and forbade Hancock to remove them. However Hancock did. Subsequently Austin brought an action against Hancock in the local court at Onslow for £39, the value of the wool. He secured a verdict for £66 with costs. Against this finding Hancock appealed to the Full Court. The Chief Justice was of opinion that there was no evidence to show how the respondents arrived at the damages, and that consequently a new trial should be ordered. Mr. Justice Burnside concurred.

ACROSS TWO CONTINENTS.

PEKING-PARIS MOTOR RACE.

IN MONGOLIA AND SIBERIA.

WITH THE LEADING CAR.

EXCITING EXPERIENCES.

PERTH (W.A.), Thursday.

The special correspondent of the London "Daily Telegraph," who is travelling with Prince Borghese, leader in the Peking to Paris motor race, telegraphed from Irkutsk on July 2 (published in papers which arrived by to-day's mail from England), as follows:—"Like devout Siberian travellers when they arrive within sight of the green domes of Irkutsk, we were compelled to kneel down and kiss the ground, giving thanks for the journey safely accomplished. We are alive by a miracle. The Itala (car) met with a serious accident, which might easily have resulted in an irreparable catastrophe. During our journey a bridge broke down, and the machine with us was precipitated into the torrent. On Sunday morning, in serene weather, we again attempted to round the southern end of Baikal Lake. At half-past 4 we left Misorsk, taking the same rock and tree strewn route which we had previously travelled, crossing ancient bridges over innumerable streams, now crawling close to the confines of the calm lake, now entering the leafy shade of a forest road, as picturesque as it was difficult, encumbered as it was by planks and almost inaccessible from an automobile point of view. However, we found a long line of old telegraph poles, some fallen across our track, but no sign of a recent traveller, not a footprint. The solitude was absolute. It took us three hours to travel 15 miles, and at 8 o'clock we drew near the river Mishikha—unfordable, and with its bridge broken.

THE CAR ON THE RAILWAY.

"Profiting therefore by permission given us by the Governor of Irkutsk, we turned the car in the direction of the railway, laying a short wooden track of planks and tree trunks to enable us to get up the steep embankment of the railway.

"We began our journey along the tracks of the Circum-Baikal railway, having taken on board the motor a gendarme furnished with a small red flag, so as to stop any train that may be on the line. Very comical was the surprise of the road guards who hurried out to signal the line clear, and evidently thought that the automobile was the latest model of locomotive. Thus we crossed the great bridge over Mishikha, guarded by numerous sentries, as are all bridges in the Empire. We traversed numerous small bridges, scarcely wider than the sleepers, and without parapets, and suspended over deep ravines, the waters of which we could see foaming beneath us. The right wheels of the automobile running outside the right rail, pass almost over the edge of the abyss, it is an impressive moment, but the manoeuvre is relatively easy when the man at the wheel possesses the sure eye gained by experience. We proceed slowly along a double track, which gives to the machine almost a galloping mein of some extraordinary steam horse. The tyres sustain grave injuries. As the road becomes more level the journey grows monotonous. Close to the 16th siding the approach of a train is announced. It is 9 o'clock, and the station master advises us to leave the railway track for a short time, and to follow the old and deserted high road, which he assures us is good.

A DISASTROUS COLLAPSE.

"We accept the ill-omened advice, and once more take to the grassy path. We go about half a mile, and come upon a river. This is three or four metres deep, traversed by an old wooden bridge some 15 metres long. We have a moment of doubt, but finally decide that the structure does not seem very much worse than the preceding ones. Prince Borghese orders the mechanic, Guizzardi, who is driving, to proceed slowly. The automobile approaches the bridge, which trembles, creaks, and oscillates as others had done. We are not alarmed. The fore part of the automobile is already half way over the bridge. We believe that we are now freed from all danger. Suddenly there is a terrifying crash. The floor of the bridge gives way beneath the weight of the hinder part of the car which sinks downwards, raising on high the forewheels. Almost with the motion of a balance the car takes up a perpendicular position, and then sinks into the water beneath the midst of the ruin of beams. The hinder part of the chassis, having become merged in water, does not remain motionless. It turns slowly over, but is held by the wreckage of the beams, and remains in a few seconds. It is something like the last dying leap of a pachyderm. At the critical moment our gendarme, who is seated on the floor of the car, with his feet on the left step, makes a leap in time. Prince Borghese, the mechanic, and myself with the exception of the car, into the water. I am unable exactly to relate all the phases of that unpleasant submersion. I find myself mounted on a heap of baggage and spare tyres. I hear a crash, and an instant after find myself under the bridge thrown against the motor car in a ridiculous position. Always descending. I have the impression that I shall never stop going downwards. I remember discovering, not without satisfaction, that I don't experience any great pain, and that I am confident that I shall arrive at the end of the fall in a passable condition. When I find myself in the midst of the torrent and see the back of the automobile turning slowly over me, I make an attempt to escape; but, being pinned down by baggage and fallen beams, that was impossible. Meanwhile the reservoirs of the motor had opened and we were inundated with steam and tepid oil. I was saturated with it.

AN INVERTED PRINCE.

I heard a shout from the Prince, and saw his legs, also dripping oil, kicking actively above my head. We had remained suspended squeezed between the beam and the motor, and he was trying to free himself, which he succeeded in doing after great efforts. The mechanic slipped from his seat, where he had been with his feet in the air, and rushed to my assistance. A few moments later all three were on our feet, with lamps peeping out between the beams of the bridge. The machine broken Beams of the bridge. The machine seems to be intact, but the utensils which we had been carrying are curiously damaged. Spades and picks are bent, and leather straps are broken; the leather covering of my camera is torn. Workmen from the railway now come up with ropes and axes, and in the hurry saving our machine by hauling it. The motor is secured bound by long cords to neighbouring trees, then we proceed to complete the demolition of the remains of the bridge; work goes on rapidly. Brave Siberians, in red blouses, and with their long, disordered hair, sing as they cut away with their axes. From the beams of the submerged bridge is formed an inclined plane from the bed of the river to the edge of the road. Hauling cautiously at the ropes, the motor is finally placed upon its wheels, and then drawn up the inclined plane on to the road. Salvage work has lasted three hours. We wish to try our machine immediately, and anxiously wait while the mechanic put the starting handle in motion. For a few seconds the auto is motionless. We are beginning to despair, when the accustomed throbbing is suddenly heard, and the car begins to move. The motor is saved, as we are.

ON THE RAILWAY AGAIN.

By 2 o'clock all was ready, and having rapidly refreshed ourselves we started once more, this time along the railway, which we only left for very brief periods in order to avoid trains. We had other moments of anxiety when crossing little wooden bridges, eW quickly recognised that speed diminished danger. Now and again we had to construct a passerelle where a bridge was weak, and in this we were helped by the railway men, who accompanied us on the car. At 10 o'clock we arrived at Tankhoe, a new ferryboat station. The population, who had heard of our adventure, came to meet us, and saluted us enthusiastically. As there is no inn we were lodged in the theatre, and finished a day full of adventure in profound sleep on the stage, guarded by soldiers with fixed bayonets, because on account of the number of deported criminals who are living here the authorities are in constant fear of new arrivals being attacked. Yesterday the director of the railway at Irkutsk authorised us to embark on one of the ferryboats at Tankhoe, and that we decided to do.

AT IRKUTSK.

The machine is placed on board at 2 o'clock, and at 5 o'clock we reach Baikal station, and at 10 o'clock we enter Irkutsk and have a festive reception. We hope that in future our journey will be less adventurous. Cormier, Collignon, and Godard spent Sunday night at Kabansky, a village 70 versts on the other side of Misovsk. There is no later news of them. We will probably leave Irkutsk tomorrow morning, as the automobile does not require the least repair. After 1500 miles of most impassable roads, many adventures, mountain ascents, submersions, and sand storms it has managed to keep in the best condition, except for some superficial damage outside. However, it has a thick coating of mud, and looks as if it has lost its original skin and grown another. The Pirelli tyres have stood the strain splendidly, and we are still using those with which we left Peking. We merely changed the outer cover at Verkhneudinsk. We, on the other hand, have had to change everything, from our boots to our crowns, and shall leave to-morrow in Siberian clothing and Cossack boots. It is astonishing the quantity of boots one can wear out while motoring in Siberia.

Later news from Cormier, Collignon, and Godard states that they reached Misovsk, which they left to-day by railway.

ARTISTS DIVIDED.

SECOND BODY FORMED.

NEW CONTROLLING METHODS.

ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE PROFESSIONAL.

EXHIBITION PROPOSALS.

A split has occurred in the ranks of the Art Society of New South Wales, and a new body has been formed to control and assist professional art. A few years ago two similar bodies existed, but by arrangement with the Government, not unconnected with finance, they amalgamated. After a brief period of comparatively peaceful existence a schism has occurred within the ranks, and the two sections are now more widely separated than they have ever been before in the history of art of Australia.

Some time ago when the two bodies—the Society of Artists and the Art Society—agreed to relegate their differences to the limbo of the past and merge their interests, those who were possessed of full knowledge of the elements of the two societies predicted that the agreement would not be of long duration. The expected has happened. Many of the leading artists have again decided to separate themselves from the band of amateurs and the few professionals who practically rule the Art Society, and in doing so they state they have not adopted any carping or critical tone. They have no quarrel with their quondam associates, but their interests are so dissimilar, and their views in respect to the development of art in this country so opposed, that they must stand apart. The members of the new society have no fault to find with the Art Society, but they hold that the city is large enough for the two and that both should receive the support of the Government.

It is pointed out on behalf of the artists who have thus drawn apart from the Art Society that in Paris, where there is the true artistic atmosphere, the two bodies flourish side by side, and do good work for the benefit of art. They hold that the commingling of interests of teachers who are also reputable professional artists, and of the others who are still practically on the borderland of the art world, can never be satisfactorily effected. For instance, the new society desires to widen its sphere of action so as not to exclude clever workers with the brush who are not members. In the Art Society an exhibitor must be a member of the society at a guinea a year, and the governing body is elected by popular vote, which does not always run along the lines of art capacity.

"The election of the committee of the Art Society," Mr. Julian Ashton stated yesterday, "depends largely upon personal popularity rather than upon general capacity as an artist, and necessarily art suffers. I did not enter into the causes for the separation of artists some years back in newspaper correspondence, although I have had investigations into art control and development in the other States and foreign countries. I do not think the State is called upon to foster art in the way it has been attempting. Art cannot be fettered. Immediately you harness it you cripple and then kill it. Individuality must be encouraged, and the teacher must seek to bring out this quality in pupils and rejoice in it when he discovers it. In Melbourne a large amount of the State money has been expended on scholarships, and seven students have been sent away to the older art centres. None of these have come back. There is no opening for them here if they did, and the State benefit from the expenditure is not apparent. In Paris art and its practice in the affairs of France are more kindly treated. A student who achieves honours is given an opportunity of earning a living. There are civic walls to be decorated and national avenues in which the talents of the one who has adopted painting as a livelihood may be profitably employed. Large classes under State control cannot bring out the individuality which we hope our new society will do. The State classes trend naturally along stereotyped lines, and a student becomes a copyer unless the master has a special aptitude and sympathy for bringing out the latent genius and initiative of the student. The work of such classes should stop with good life and art practice. Mr. Bernard Hall is the director of the Art School in Melbourne, and Mr. H. P. Gill the director of art in the Technical School in Adelaide. Both are gentlemen for whom I have the highest esteem, but I cannot agree with their methods of developing art. We intend to make some important changes in connection with the encouragement of art by our new society. We intend to set apart for each exhibitor a mural section on which he will display his work at our exhibition, which will be held on August 16 at 127 Queen Victoria Markets."

"Will it not clash with the Art Society's exhibition to be held shortly?" Mr. Ashton was asked.

"I do not think there is any clashing of interests so widely separated. We have no Government subsidy, but we have a number of artists in our ranks whose work will command attention."

"What other innovations does the Society of Artists propose?"

"We will allow any person to send along pictures for consideration, whether he or she belongs to us or not. The picture must be accompanied by the modest fee of 2s, and if it be rejected 1s. money will be refunded. This and the panelling of walls for exhibitors will probably make popular novelties that the public will appreciate."

The artists associated in the formation of the new body are Messrs. Syd. Long, D. H. Souter; Fred. Leist, Chas. Lloyd Jones, Julian Ashton, Norman Lindsay, Lionel Lindsay, Douglas Vry, Howard Ashton, J. J. Hilder, and Harry Weston, and Miss Alice Muskett. Mr. J. Lane Mullins is the hon. secretary, and Mr. C. L. Jones the hon. treasurer, and the society is open to professional artists only.

AUSTRALIA'S REVENUE.

LARGE INCREASE FOR JULY.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The return of Federal revenue for last month shows an increase of £386,782, as compared with July of 1906. The amounts received in each State were as follow:—

	July, 1907.		July, 1906.
	£		£
New South Wales	479,923	..	340,038
Victoria	485,675	..	395,702
Queensland	117,458	..	81,133
South Australia	68,980	..	60,810
Western Australia	79,296	..	76,998
Tasmania	13,599	..	14,045
Totals	1,245,871	..	859,089

The increase is due largely to the withdrawals from bond in anticipation of the changes in the tariff.

POSTMASTERS' LOCAL POWERS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

There has been constant complaint that in the Postal Department insufficient power is given to Deputy Postmasters-General, and that the expenditure of a few pounds cannot be made without reference to Melbourne. Mr. Chapman, as Postmaster-General, has made it his aim to avoid this reference to headquarters as much as possible, and has continually asked deputies to use the authority given them. Before going over to the Customs Department on the allotment of portfolios he prepared a memorandum giving a list of delegated powers, with several additions, of which the following are the most notable:—Deputy postmasters, subject to the control of the secretary of the Central Postal Administration, are to manage the branches of the department in their own States; to spend any sum not exceeding £100 in routine or emergency matters; to call for tenders for all necessary inland mail contracts, and for all other services and supplies; to appoint and (except in cases where penal consequences might be involved) dismiss non-official postmasters; to determine for a period of one year allowances to all non-official postmasters; to establish unofficial post, telegraph, and telephone offices, money order offices, and receiving offices, where expense involved does not exceed £60 in any one case; to arrange timetables for mail services, and publish local postal guides

THE WEEK IN LONDON.

STILL THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

LONDON, June 28.

I am rather inclined to think on the strength of very old Parliamentary experience that the Prime Minister's resolution with regard to the House of Lords is going to have a practical effect. There is this at least in its favour, that the extremists on both sides of the House denounce it. The Tories assert that it means a constitutional revolution—I am speaking of what they say in private. In the press and on the platform the cue has been given to treat it as mere bombast and wind. On the other side the Radical and the Labour members are denouncing the Government proposals as expounded by the Prime Minister as involving an immense amount of red tape and delay. But this is all in the game, and the mere fact that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman has moved very cautiously is in favour of the Ministerialist scheme.

Of all the speeches delivered in the course of the debate on what may be for us an epoch-making resolution the weightiest may be said to be that of Mr. Asquith. Parliamentary gossip is always to be taken for what it is worth, but it is undoubted that the Chancellor of the Exchequer has always been regarded as representing the Conservative element in the Cabinet. He is, of course, a Liberal Imperialist, and for this reason has always been "suspect" by the Radicals. Now when he comes forward with an outright denunciation of the bi-cameral system, and frankly says that he is not in favour of mending the House of Lords, but of ending it, people are opening their eyes, and asking what it all means. But for brilliancy nothing exceeded the speech of the President of the Board of Trade. The way in which he invoked all the great shades of the past, from Mr. Gladstone—I am of course only thinking of the Protectionist leader's temporary retirement—to Mr. Chamberlain, was a masterpiece. The Government are splendidly supplied with ammunition from the old Birmingham arsenal—in the way of criticism, or even, if necessary, in the way of vituperation. This sort of thing comes hard on a public man, because he cannot change his opinions at will, as the late Lord Beaconsfield complained to one of his private secretaries, who was good enough to tell me the story, "as any woman is at liberty to do." Mr. Winston Churchill is finding this out just now when they are raking up every passage in his past speeches, when he was still a Tory democrat.

THE HONOURS.

There is great interest here in the Birthday Honours list. Perhaps the most universally chaffed man will be Sir William Gilbert, whose name has been again brought into prominence over the Mikado prohibition. No one has made greater fun of titled people than he has done—and now he is one of them. But he has not become a member of the House of Lords, who "throughout the war did nothing in particular, and did it very well." Any way, it is a "departure" to make him a Knight just at the time when the outcry was aroused about our having alienated the Japanese. I think I have already fairly stated the pros and cons of this question. It is pleasant to see the name of an old friend of mine in the honours list. This is Mr. Cremer. He began life, as everybody knows, as a carpenter, but he has made himself a very notable man. He is a great advocate of arbitration, and he has given his whole life to the work of peace, and when he took the Nobel prize of £7000 he devoted the money to the cause which he always had at heart. I remember his being very ill at one time—he slept then over the offices of the "Arbitrator," wanting no other domicile, and I went to call upon him. I found among others there Professor Stuart and Sir Walter Foster, the distinguished surgeon. Surely no man's life was more tenderly cared for, and he emerged from an illness which threatened at one time to be very serious. The writer of this paragraph is under a deep obligation to Sir William Cremer. He thought that he knew the Continent pretty well—that is, that he knew the highways and the hotels to which English people ordinarily go. But he had a cicerone in Sir William Cremer, whose arbitration work led him frequently abroad, who knew the byways, the easy, pleasant, and clean country inns, and the life of the people generally. There is a great number of C.M.Gs., but a cynical kind of person at the Colonial Office once said that these were in the nature of consolation prizes, although most of us have known very estimable men who were proud of the distinction. It is worth noting that Sir W. MacGregor, the Governor of Newfoundland, gets a G.C.M.G., and so does the Governor of the Orange River Colony. The Governor of Jamaica and the Chief Justice of Canada have become K.C.M.Gs.

MARK TWAIN.

Mark Twain is with us just now, and is being made much of a lion. But much that is said about him in the journals here may be fairly discounted, and that without any derogation to the man, who is commonsense and simplicity itself. The author of the "Jumping Frog" is, we all say here, bound to go down to posterity as surely as the man who wrote "Don Quixote," or the man who wrote "The Canterbury Tales," or the man who has left us the immortal "Pickwick." It is ridiculous to assume that all his humour is to be taken as of the highest class—some passages in the "Innocents Abroad," which I think, having regard to other people's susceptibilities, he would probably himself delete if he had to revise it now, are instances. I only know quite his parallel in this country, and that is Mr. Lucy. I remember looking at them a good many years ago, and I was struck by many points of similarity—they were talking together in the inner lobby of the House of Commons. Both are capable publicists—and both are generous men, and both owe everything to their own right hands. The only difference which I could discern was that Mark Twain wears his hair long—at the Sheldonian Theatre there were a number of suggestions from the undergraduates on Wednesday to the effect that Mark Twain might have been a little more liberal to the sartorial profession. He is now fully acquainted with this fact, which might have helped many people in the course of their lives. To come from the greater to the lesser humour, it is easy to remember the time when a gentleman on the music hall stage was supposed to be coining a fortune by singing "Get your hair cut, get your hair cut, and meet me when the sun goes down."

Mr. George Robey, the comedian, has had the wreck to own up to the fact that he makes £4000 a year, and has had to borrow money at 200 per cent. I am not thinking for one moment of comparing him with Mark Twain, but it shows how many of our public favourites often are on the verge of a precipice, and I think that the strongest hold which Mark Twain has on the public here is to be found in the fact that when he was a little bit down on his fortunes he pulled himself together in his advancing years, struck out, like the man he is, and won through. Anyway, Mark Twain will be ever Mark Twain to all of us.

A LOST SUMMER.

It is possible to ask sometimes what our colonial friends who come over here for an English summer suppose us to be enjoying. I know a summer seaside resort where the tradesmen have laid in all kinds of enticing commodities based on the assumption that we should have a normal summer. That particular resort is well southward and westward, and consequently, as people supposed, particularly pleasant. They are beginning to "sell off" their summer goods already. I know people who have entertained recently elderly relatives for whom it was necessary to provide fires in their bedrooms, on the south coast, where at this time of the year it is usually sultry. This is our midsummer—when we are supposed by the poets to be having our arcadian nights' dreams. Yesterday I looked in at a small club, where no fires had been lit—simply because the servants thought that there was quite enough caloric in the atmosphere at the end of June to make it possible to dispense with artificial aids. Every man there was sitting in his overcoat, and I found myself greeted with a chorus of "we are all frozen out, you know, and we've got no work to do." Of course that was fun, but it is quite otherwise than fun for the people who have to depend for their living on the season. They tell me that it spells ruin to hundreds. It is only, I think, three or four years ago that one of our enterprising corporations which controls the affairs of an interesting town on probably the most inclement coast of our British Islands, was advertising something to this effect: "If you want to breathe at this time of the year, go to (and here the name of the place was mentioned); but it is fair to say it is a very cool place. At the present time people are flocking to the very warmest places they can possibly get to, and extra blankets on the beds are an item of commonplace hospitality. We may be approaching a new glacial epoch, but it is fairer even to our climate to suppose that when it comes about we shall have a month of brilliant sunshine.

WHEN THE LIGHTS WENT OUT.

QUESTION OF DISCIPLINE.

SPECIAL INQUIRY TO BE HELD.

The electric light committee of the city council last night compiled a report for presentation to the council. This set forth that the failure of the electric light supply on the night of May 12 originally came before the committee in the shape of two reports by the city electrical engineer, dated respectively May 14 and 20, in neither of which any mention is made of want of discipline. In the latter report the following was the concluding paragraph:—

"Shift Engineer Broe was in charge at the time of the accident. I much regret his explanation and report are not satisfactory to me. I attribute this to inexperience, and do not wish to take further action on this occasion."

The committee desired full information in what respect the "explanation and report" was "not satisfactory," and the city electrical engineer produced a pencil memo. by Shift Engineer Broe, dated May 13, in which, after describing incidents in connection with the accident of the previous night, the following sentence occurs:—

"When the D.C. system was in order, as far as possible, I attended to the boiler-house as the steam pressure was going back with the cold feed, and No. 2 and No. 3 engines running on atmosphere."

The city electrical engineer considered the statement about "cold feed" was unsatisfactory.

During the inquiry it transpired that, prior to the city electrical engineer's report of May 20, Shift Engineer Broe was sent for, and in the presence of the assistant electrical engineer and the power-house superintendent, was asked to resign. This he refused to do, and next day forwarded the following letter to the chief electrical engineer:—

Dear Sir,—Referring to our conversation on Friday, 17th inst, I request that you will kindly inform me whether I am correct in assuming from what then transpired that you hold me responsible for this breakdown, and for that reason desire that I should tender my resignation. If my assumption be correct in view of the serious nature of the step I apprehend you desire me to take, and, as I am totally unconscious of any dereliction of duty on my part which would warrant such a request, that you will do me the favour of formulating your charges in writing in order that I may have an opportunity of replying thereto.

No reply was given by the city electrical engineer to this letter, and Shift Engineer Broe's name is mentioned for the first time in the said report: "Shift Engineer Broe was in charge of the system at the time of the accident. I much regret his explanation and report are not satisfactory to me. I attribute this to inexperience, and do not wish to take further action on this occasion." The committee have held several special meetings, and examined all the shift engineers, the city electrical engineer, the assistant electrical engineer, and Mr. T. P. Strickland, assistant electrical engineer of the New South Wales Government Tramways.

A diagram showing the cycle of steam was drawn for the information of the committee by Mr. Rooke in connection with the question of "cold feed." The position on the diagram of the automatic cold-feed valve, it is stated, was not originally there, but was added by the city electrical engineer, after Shift Engineer Jones had directed the attention of the committee to its omission.

Respecting the paragraph dealing with this, Alderman Cocks stated that Aldermen Stephen, Lees, and himself disagreed with it, because "it has been distinctly stated by the members of the committee that there is not the slightest intention to attribute improper motives to Mr. Rooke by reason of his omission to call attention to the particular phases afterwards brought into evidence by his subordinate Jones, as the sketch was one hastily drawn up for the purpose of showing the cycle of steam, and how it was established, and had no bearing at that time upon the question of cold feed."

The committee found that the failure of the electric light supply on May 12 was due to what is electrically known as resonance, causing the breakdown of the high-tension cables, and that it was external to the power-house, and in no way attributable to the shift engineer in charge at the time. The committee sees no reason, it was added, for calling upon Broe, a few days later, to resign. There was no evidence to show when or how the voltmeter was disconnected. It was shown that the instrument had not been tested since it was placed in position, and was last examined at the end of January. The committee expressed the opinion, in view of the importance of the work performed by this instrument, that the power-house superintendent should have it examined daily, and, if possible, at the beginning of each shift. The report concludes:—"That your committee considers that this question of discipline, which has incidentally been raised during the course of this inquiry, is of vast importance, and intends to hold a special inquiry relative thereto."

STATE PARLIAMENTS.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

In the Assembly to-day Mr. Ritchie, who has had a life-long experience as a trader on the Murray and goldfields, continued the debate on the Murray Waters Bill. He characterised the agreement as being unfair to South Australia, inasmuch as the River Darling was left in abeyance, and there was no guarantee that a complete system of locking would ever be carried out. The South Australian representatives at the conference by their action had to give away far too much, and he was convinced that South Australia could get better terms by seeking her rights through the law courts. After more than an hour's critical condemnation of the bill Mr. Ritchie obtained leave to continue his remarks. The Commissioner for Crown Lands moved the second reading of the Brands Bill. It is a consolidating measure to improve the system of branding, and provide greater security for stockowners. The debate adjourned, and the House rose till Tuesday.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

PERTH, Thursday.

In the Legislative Council last night the debate on the motion for the second reading of the Arbitration Act Amendment Bill was resumed. Several members censured the Government for introducing the measure in that House, the contention being that if the Council altered the provisions of the bill the Government supporters in the Assembly would feel aggrieved, with the result that the Council would have both Ministerialists and Labourites against its amendments. The Colonial Secretary (Mr. Connolly), in reply, stated that the Government had no motive for the introduction of the bill in that House. There were two reasons why that had been done. The first was that the measure dealt with a matter which was in his own departments. He had in his possession all the information regarding it, and the second was that its introduction in that House left them plenty of time for its discussion, instead of their receiving it at the end of the session. If he had known that exception would have been taken to the measure being introduced there, he would certainly not have introduced it in that Chamber. The second reading was agreed to on the voices, and the consideration of the measure, in committee, was fixed for Wednesday next.

STATES' FINANCES.

QUEENSLAND'S INCREASE.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The revenue for the past month was £360,847, being an increase compared with the same month of last year of £61,405. The principal increases were:—Amount received from the Commonwealth, £92,318; taxation, £4136; territorial, £4779; railways, £19,393. The expenditure was £190,718, being an increase of £9986, as compared with the same month of last year. The excess of revenue over expenditure for the month was £169,632, as compared with £118,106 for the same month last year.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The Treasurer's statement of revenue and expenditure for the year shows a surplus of £297,673, which has been set apart to meet the redemption of public securities.

SLIGHT DECREASE IN TASMANIA.

HOBART, Thursday.

The State revenue for July was £70,327, being £180 less than for the same month last year.

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SHIPPING CASUALTIES.

THE YSABEL WRECK.

ARRIVAL OF THE CREW.

The officers and crew of the wrecked steamer Ysabel (Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co.'s interisland vessel) were brought to Sydney yesterday by the steamer Titus. It was learned that the Ysabel had nearly completed a cruise in the Marshall Islands, and was bound from Arlino to Mamu to load copra. She was due at Mamu early on June 7, and on the preceding evening, when the sky was overcast, a course was set which it was reckoned would have taken the steamer two miles clear of Nauru Island. About 11.30 the vessel was found to be among breakers, and she shortly afterwards went on a reef. When the dangerous position of the Ysabel was discovered the chief officer, who was in charge of the deck, called Captain Legge, who at once ordered the engines to be put full speed astern. The vessel was hard aground, and soundings were taken which showed that there was 6ft. of water under the bow, and 12ft. under the stern. The steamer bumped heavily, and the propeller became disabled. At daybreak it was found that the vessel was on the weather side of the reef, which was about 200 yards across to the inner lagoon. The reef was flat, being level with the water for about three miles. The hold of the steamer was full of water, and as the stern post was damaged it was agreed that it would be useless to continue the efforts to refloat her. A line was run ashore, and a boat launched, and the crew and trading stores were landed. The steamer's launch, in charge of the second officer, was despatched to Arlingiaplap for assistance. A small schooner, owned by Germans, was chartered to proceed to the wreck. The Ysabel continued to bump heavily, and became a total wreck. The crew were taken on the schooner, and the native crew and supercargo, Mr. Hayes, remained to guard the cargo. Captain Legge and his crew reached Butaritari just as the Titus arrived from Sydney. The schooner Louise J. Kenny, belonging to Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co., was sent to the wreck to take the salvage cargo to Tarawa, in the Gilberts, where it will be transhipped to the steamer Malaita, which will leave Sydney to-morrow. A cargo of 100 tons of copra in the Ysabel was lost.

TWO VESSELS DAMAGED.

BARQUE DOMINION STRANDED.

A SCHOONER LEAKING.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

News from the islands by the Union Company's steamer Hauroto states that the barque Drummuir, 1798 tons, bound from San Francisco to Algoa Bay, put into Papete at the end of June. The vessel had been ashore near the Island of Mangareva, and jettisoned 80,000 feet of timber before she got off. The crew refused to proceed on the voyage, and the vessel put into Papete. A survey was held, and repairs effected. The ship sailed again on July 10.

The Norwegian schooner Alice, bound from Malden Island to Wellington, with a cargo of guano, put into Raratonga on June 27 in distress. The vessel fell in with a severe hurricane on June 20, when midway between Raratonga and Kermadecs, and sprang a leak in the heavy seaway. The pumps broke down. A survey was held at Raratonga, and it was decided to discharge portion of the cargo. Topsides and deck were recaulked, and a new pump fitted. The schooner was expected to resume her voyage on July 24.

COLLISION WITH A WHARF

The steamer Vine Branch arrived in Port Jackson yesterday morning from Queensland ports, and when proceeding to No. 5 berth in Woolloomooloo Bay, struck the wharf with much force. Three plates were dented, and these will be repaired.

THE FIDO WRECK.

The steamer Federal left Sydney yesterday for the wrecked seamer Fido, off Tweed Heads, where she will be engaged in salvage operations. The Chinese crew of the Fido were brought to Sydney yesterday by the steamer Cavanba, and will be conveyed to China by the E. and A. liner Aldenham, which will leave on August 10.

WRECKAGE SIGHTED.

SHIP'S DECK IN A DIRECT TRACK.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Captain Mackenzie, of the steamer Innaminka, wired to the portmaster from Flat Top Island to-day stating that about 1000ft. of large ship's deck was sighted 20 miles north-east of Double Island Point. The wreckage is in the direct track of shipping.

"THE WOODEN SPOON."

CRICKETERS' LACHRYMOSE REPORT.

REDFERN DISTRICT CLUB.

At the annual meeting of the Redfern District Club, which was largely attended, the annual report was submitted by the secretary (Mr. Blanksby). It showed that the first grade team had occupied a rather lower position than it did last year in the premiership list. Eleven competition matches were played, of which two were drawn (not in favour of Redfern) and the rest were lost. It would be a difficult matter to find excuses for the bad form of the team, and it was hoped that no attempt would be made to do so. It was in the bowling department in which the greater falling off was to be noticed. Last year the bowling averages made mention of the ball fielding which helped considerably to swell the scores that were heaped up against the team, and it added: "It is more particularly to these two branches of the game that the inglorious possession of the 'wooden spoon' is due." Another remarkable feature about the performance of the team was that it was responsible for both the lowest and the highest scores of the season, viz., 45 and 548 for seven wickets, the main point being, the committee points out, that the club got the former and were unable to get the latter. The first grade team did not drop so far down the list as the first grade eleven. They occupied the sixth position. Seven matches were won, six lost, and one tied. The third grade team occupied ninth place on the list. Eleven matches were played, 4 were won and 7 lost.

Referring to the attendance at the committee meetings, the report says: "The attendance was fairly good, although certain of the elect seldom put in an appearance. "Should members not be prepared to carry out these duties in a proper manner they should not accept office." The treasurer, dealing with the finances the report says: "The treasurer's balance-sheet will show that the financial position of the club was still unsatisfactory, although the amount of debit balance was not quite so large as last year, yet the position was about the same as it was last year, notwithstanding the fact that no grant had been received from the Association, and that the annual dance was not even thought of. The loss on last season's year's dance appeared in the present balance-sheet, and was a large factor in making the financial standing of the club look so bad. These could be covered by members to a social evening, and also to a smoke concert in the early part of the season, effectually settled all thoughts of functions of a similar character. The committee regret that the payment of subscriptions was again to the fore, and was a source of trouble to the committee, who think it is high time some alteration was made in regard to the payment of subscriptions." Certain members, the report points out, adopted a most unsportsmanlike attitude. They availed themselves of the fact that the list of financial members was short, and through out the latter half of the season they occupied the somewhat doubtful position of being players without being paupers.

The report and balance-sheet were adopted.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

EXCESSIVELY HIGH RATES.

THE RECORD FOR SYDNEY.

A report by the Bureau of Statistics on the vital statistics of the metropolis for July shows that during the month 1381 children were born, and 636 persons died, the excess of births over deaths being 645.

The birth record is 148, and the death record 1.18, which are averages for July during the previous five years. In both cases the number exceed the record for July during any of the preceding 10 years.

The resultant birth rate is 2.38, and the death rate 1.18 per thousand, corresponding respectively to annual rates of 28.56 and 14.16 per thousand of population. These rates are by far the highest recorded this year. The birth rate is very satisfactory, being the highest experienced during July for over 10 years.

The mortality rate is extremely unfavourable, being 18 per cent. higher than the mean rate for July during the previous five years. Only once has this rate been exceeded during the past 10 years, viz., in 1898, when the death rate for July was 1.34 per thousand.

The number of deaths of children under one year of age was 126, equal to 98 per 1000 births, which does not compare favourably with 84, the mean rate for the last five years. Of the total the city contributed 23, and the suburbs 104, the death rate per 1000 births being 98 in each case. Of children under 5 years of age there were 161 deaths, which is 26 per cent. above the average experience of the previous five years. The principal causes of death of these children were: Whooping cough, 30 deaths; premature birth, 26; pneumonia, 21; diarrhoeal diseases and enteritis, 16; atrophy, 16; and bronchitis, 6.

During the last six months that the whooping cough epidemic has prevailed, it has been responsible for 177 deaths in the metropolis. The number of deaths during the past month shows a slight decrease on the figures for June. The present outbreak is the most severe since that of 1898-99, but has not been so fatal as on that occasion, when, during the six months of greatest severity (October, 1898-March, 1899), there were 274 deaths.

VICTORIA.

A MINE MANAGER'S DIVORCE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Thomas Henry Bessell, a mine manager, to-day asked for a divorce from Mary Jane Bessell, on the ground of misconduct, and named William Norman as co-respondent. The suit was not defended. The marriage took place at a matrimonial agency at Melbourne in October, 1901. One child was born. The petitioner stated: "In July last year I sent my wife to Sydney, as she appeared to be in delicate health. She took the child with her. In a letter sent from Sydney she said she had undergone an operation, and I sent her £16; but I found, on inquiries, that her statement was not correct. Thereupon I went to Sydney, but could not find my wife. She had put me off when I asked for her address. Letters from me were addressed to the General Post Office. The inquiries I made showed that she and co-respondent, an insurance inspector, had been living together." A decree nisi was granted, with costs against the co-respondent.

NEW ZEALAND.

FARMERS FROM AUSTRALIA.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

The Tourist Department representative at Sydney writes that since March 31 he has sent 31 adults and six children to New Zealand, with a capital of £7936. Two families of British Columbians, with a capital of £1000, were also sent over.

GOVERNMENT AID FOR AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

The conference of agricultural associations has decided to ask the Government to contribute £1000 annually, to be given to the North and South Island Associations each alternate year for the purpose of holding a Royal Show.

THE DROUGHT.

The drought in Otago and Canterbury continues. The outlook for the season is by no means satisfactory.

CASUALTIES.

FALL INTO A DOCK.

About 10 a.m. yesterday Thomas Tinkington, 23, residing on the Ryde-road, Hunter's Hill, while working as a labourer at Woolwich Dock, was walking alongside the dock, when he slipped and fell into the dock, a distance of 25 feet. He was taken to the Civil Ambulance Brigade to the Sydney Hospital, where he was admitted in a serious condition. His injuries consisted of a compound fracture of the right leg, dislocation of the right ankle, compound fracture and dislocation of the jaw, and injuries to the head.

TRAM ACCIDENT.

William Richards, 21, a labourer, was knocked down by a tram at the corner of Hunter and Castlereagh streets last night, and one of the wheels passed over his right foot, severely crushing it. He was conveyed to the Sydney Hospital, where it was found that some of the bones in the foot were broken.

PAINFUL SULKY ACCIDENT.

WEST WYALONG, Thursday.

When returning to Barmedman from the shire council meeting at West Wyalong on Saturday last Councillor L. M'Namara met with a severe accident through the cap of the axle coming off his sulky. The result was a broken shoulder. Notwithstanding his severe injuries, Mr. M'Namara, who was alone, managed to replace the wheel and reach Barmedman. From there he was taken to Temora for treatment.

A FALL OF EARTH.

ORANGE, Thursday.

At Bulga mine yesterday a quantity of stone fell upon a man named Bowyer, injuring him so severely that he had to be removed to the Orange Hospital.

FALL FROM A CART.

CESSNOCK, Thursday.

A lad named Bailey was in the act of stepping into a milkcart he had been driving yesterday when the horse shied and started off at a gallop. The boy was thrown from the cart, his head striking a stone, and one of the wheels passed over his body. He was picked up in an unconscious condition. On examination he was found to be suffering from concussion of the brain and injuries to the body.

THROWN FROM A CART.

QUIRINDI, Thursday.

About 5.30 this afternoon Ronald Elsley, 15, was driving a cart loaded with wood, when the horse bolted. In Church-avenue the boy was thrown off, his neck being broken. The cart overturned at the rear of the Federal Hotel.

CHILD SHOT WITH PEA RIFLE.

ORANGE, Thursday.

This morning, while marching into the Public school with other children, Mabel Ross, aged 9 years, was struck in the back with a spent pea-rifle bullet. The bullet, which lodged near the shoulder-blade, was extracted by the teacher. The child suffered considerably from shock.

A MINER INJURED.

PERTH (W.A.), Thursday.

An accident, resulting in serious injuries to an Italian named Xanandrini, occurred at the Great Fingall Mine yesterday. Xanandrini was in a pass awaiting for his mate, who had gone to get some explosives, when a large piece of stone fell, crushing him under it. His left leg was terribly crushed from the ankle upwards, and was broken in three places.

ACCIDENT AT A MINE.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

A fall of ground occurred at the 300ft level of the South Block mine this morning. A piece of rock hit Thos. Tresog, a miner, breaking his leg. He was taken to the hospital.

A BOUNDARY RIDER'S DEATH.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

A boundary rider named W. M'Phee was found dead on Netley station with his horse and two dogs alive beside him. The police have gone out to make inquiries.

PEA RIFLE FATALITY.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

At the inquest touching the death of William John Robinson, licensee of the Lincoln Hotel, near Wellington, a verdict was returned that deceased met his death on Tuesday last by a bullet wound from a pea rifle, accidentally self-inflicted. The first report of Mr. Robinson's death seemed as if it had been a case of suicide, but the evidence at the inquest gave proof to the contrary, and showed that deceased was of a cheerful disposition.

BLAYNEY, Thursday.

Whilst employed at Blayney Smelting Works repairing the second blast furnace, a labourer named Healey fell down the furnace, breaking his leg.

OLD SYDNEY.

AN HISTORICAL PICTURE.

ON VIEW AT THE ART GALLERY.

There is at present on view in the Australian Court of the National Art Gallery a water-colour drawing by Conrad Martens, dated 1839, giving a view of old Sydney, from near the intersection of Bridge and Pitt streets, in the direction of Bent-street, towards Macquarie-street. Mr. G. V. P. Mann, the secretary of the National Art Gallery, states that the work from both an artistic and historical point of view is the best that Martens has achieved. It gives a realistic view of the old settlement, with its gum trees, stone and shingle buildings, and shows a group of blacks on the bridge. In the foreground is the old stone bridge, with the Tank Stream running underneath, in which some residents are washing clothes. The site of the present Royal Exchange-building is vacant, and towards Spring-street is a dense gum forest.

On the site of the present Lands Office stands the then residence of Sir Francis Forbes, and also the old Survey Office.

The Pulteney Hotel, afterwards the Australian Club building, stands out prominently—as also do the old Treasury buildings—on the site of the Colonial Sugar Company's new building.

A windmill also appears near Macquarie-street. The late Dean Cowper's residence occupies a conspicuous position in O'Connell-street. The painting is in excellent preservation. It has never before been exhibited in Sydney, having been only recently sent from England, and purchased by Mr. William Dixson, who has lent it to the National Art Gallery.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

THE ARBITRATION ACT.

PERTH, Thursday.

The Coastal Trades and Labour Council has carried the following resolution:—"That the Parliamentary Labour party be urged to defeat at all costs the Amending Arbitration Act introduced by the Moore Government, and this council is of opinion that no amendment shall be made to the existing Act until the organised trades-unions of the State have had an opportunity to express their views through the Congress in September next."

LOST IN THE BUSH.

Thomas Walsh was lost in the bush, near Katanning, on July 15. After an organised search, his dead body was found yesterday half a mile from the residence of a settler. Apparently he perished from cold and hunger.

GOLD YIELD.

The gold yield for July was 128,555 fine oz, valued at £546,069, as against 136,321oz for June last, and 149,862oz for July last year.

THE SAVINGS BANK.

The amount at the credit of depositors in the Government Savings Bank at the end of July was £2,613,290, as against £2,596,116 at the end of July, 1906. During July £26,379 was sent out of Western Australia through the money-order office; of this amount £13,500 went to Victoria.

PORT HEDLAND-MARBLE BAR RAILWAY.

The bill for the construction of a line of railway from Port Hedland to Marble Bar, which is now before Parliament, after specifying the route over a length of 115 miles, gives the usual power for the compulsory purchase of the land within 15 miles of the railway.

NEW BURNERS FOR LIGHTHOUSE.

The Government have ordered a number of Chance's incandescent petroleum vapour burners for use in the five principal lighthouses of the State. They are now on their way from England, and will be installed at Breaksea, Cape Leeuwin, Rottnest, Woodman's Point, and Cape Naturaliste. Experiments have been made with the burner at Cape Naturaliste, and it has been found to outshine all other lights. Captain Irvine, Chief Harbour Master, who has been conducting the experiments, states that the results have been so highly satisfactory that he has no hesitation in recommending them for use on the Western Australian coast. The burner is a new invention, and it is stated to be far superior to any other lights yet introduced here.

TASMANIA.

JUBILEE OF TELEGRAPH.

HOBART, Thursday.

The jubilee of telegraphy will be celebrated in Tasmania to-morrow. The first message between Launceston and Hobart was sent on August 2, 1857, by the "Mercury." The celebration of the event is to take place on Saturday by the postal and telegraph officers at a smoke social in the Town Hall. The Premier will attend.

INQUEST ON A SKELETON.

An inquest was held to-day on the skeleton remains found at Hamilton. Nothing was found to indicate a struggle or violence. The police believe that the remains are those of Ann Barker, a woman about 60 years of age, who had been missing since October, 1905. She was admitted to the Macquarie Plains institution in July and left in October of that year.

R.M.S. ORTONA AT FREMANTLE.

FREMANTLE, Thursday.

The R.M.S. Ortona arrived from London at 7.30 a.m., having experienced fine weather all the way out to Colombo, thence strong south-west gales to Fremantle. Passengers:—

For Adelaide: Mr. and Mrs. Roach, the Misses Roach (3), and four in other classes.

For Melbourne: Mesdames Holland and child, Hyr, Messrs. Church, Stephens, Murdock, Hay, Simpkins, and 36 in other classes.

For Sydney: Mesdames Tallwer and infant, Inglis, Fraser, Fortescue, Bennett, Goodeard, Hart and infant, and Miss Hamilton, Messrs. Moss, Walker, Ely, Leahy, Fortescue, Messrs. Kirksey, Fitch, Wroughton, Phillips, Fortescue, Hanigan, Croston, Goodeard, Carter, Hart, Ward, Breen, Rymer, Lewis, Barclay, and Barry. Dr. Jones, and 117 in other classes.

From Tasmania: Mrs. Ward and child.

There are also 49 for other ports.

THE FISHERIES.

TROUT OVA FROM NEW ZEALAND.

At the meeting of the Fisheries Board on Wednesday it was decided to ask the Public Works Department to cut a channel in the sand bar that has been in existence for a long time across the mouth of Wallagoot Lake, a fine sheet of water between Pambula and Eden. If the work proved to be half of the anticipation be realised it is proposed to lease these deeper waters as well as the shallows.

Instructions were given to Inspector Paton, of Port Stephens, to preserve garfish during their spawning season in order to see at what size they reproduced their species.

The arrival of 50,000 trout ova for the State was reported by cable from the Auckland Acclimatisation Society, from which body they were purchased, to have been despatched to the State by the Zealandia last Saturday. The ova on arrival will be placed in a new way on glass grilles at Prospect, instead of on beds of pebbles as heretofore, as it is believed they will be handled more easily in this way, and the percentage of loss will be less.

The Harbour Trust Commissioners announced that they were not in possession of legal authority over the area of water at Watson's Bay where the trout recently been taken, and that the beach above high-water mark was vested in the Vaucluse Council.

Approval was given to a lecture by Mr. D. G. Stead on the dentition of fishes before the Dental Association.

Mr. H. C. Dannevig reported from Tasmania that he had experienced considerable difficulty in getting an adequate supply of Tasmanian flounders from near Hobart, and had to net open grounds about 20 miles away from the city. This would mean delay in despatching the fish to Sydney, and he did not think it would be safe to send them before August 5.

A collection of 275 fish of the State, representing 116 genera, was directed to be despatched by the Mazuka to the Leland Stanford University for Professor Jordan's museum. These were collected by Mr. D. G. Stead, the departmental naturalist.

At the request of the Ballina Council, it was decided to declare a public oyster reserve on the north side of the Richmond River between North Creek and Fishery Creek canal.

It was decided to urge the Premier, on the invitation of the Mayor of Newcastle, to set apart a site for a fish market on reclaimed land at Honeysuckle Point.

A request preferred by a number of Drummoyne people that a fine imposed upon a fisherman for a breach of the laws at Iron Cove Creek might be remitted was refused.

Protests were received from a number of residents of Woy Woy and Brisbane Water, as well as the Amateur Fishermen's Association, against the throwing open of any part of Brisbane Water to netting.

Mr. H. Dawson reported that roach spawned in the Yarra River about the end of October and the beginning of November, and no difficulty would be encountered in securing some for this State, and hatching them out locally. It was left to the chairman (Mr. F. Farnell) to arrange for getting some of the fish for our rivers.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—We certainly have to thank our Chief Railway Commissioner for his promptness in his reply to the deputation from the Commercial Travellers' Association, which waited upon him last Saturday. He simply told the speakers that their requests were unreasonable, and being in opposition to the public interests, could not be granted. I would like to draw attention to two of the requests made, viz., that an additional train shall be run from Junee to Sydney, and that the 11.20 day train from Goulburn shall be discontinued. I really think the audacity of these applications is only equalled by the conduct of commercial travellers towards the travelling public who have to share the carriages with them. I am speaking the views of hundreds, and who suffer very seriously from the selfishness of these gentlemen. They enter a carriage with more luggage than another traveller would be allowed to take. It is piled upon our hats and every available space in the compartment, they light their pipes and cigars in non-smoking carriages, and quite ignore the presence of those who do not belong to their important calling. Again, I would ask why a season ticket-holding commercial traveller should be allowed to carry two hundred weight of luggage as against any other season ticket-holder or first-class passenger? I am told by a railway official that a very large amount of goods belonging to these gentlemen is carried quite free, and much more at a nominal rate. It is safe to say that no class in the community gets such excellent value for their money from the Railway Department, as do the commercial travellers, and I hope they will be made respect the rights of other people, and pay the same price for the benefit they obtain from our excellent railway service.

I am, etc.,
F. D. B.

MONSOONAL RAINS.

A TOWN INUNDATED.

RAILWAY TRAFFIC SUSPENDED.

PERTH (W.A.), Thursday.

Rain was general throughout the State yesterday. In the city high winds accompanied by heavy downpours, with occasional falls of hail, were experienced throughout the day, and again during last night. Yesterday morning every station throughout the State reported rain during the previous 24 hours, the fall varying from one point at Israelite Bay to 193 points at Dongarra.

The reports from the country show that the rainfall was so heavy in some localities as to cause considerable damage. Particularly was this the case along the Midland and Great Southern railway. A very heavy fall occurred at Wagin, and a greater part of the town was inundated. Traffic on the Dunbinyung railway was suspended yesterday owing to the line being under water in several places. Washaways occurred at many points on the Midland railway, and Moora was swamped. The principal damage has been on that part of the line between Moora and Watheroo.

The driver of the train which reached Midland Junction from Geraldton on Tuesday night had a very exciting time when running over this stretch of his trip. In some places the water reached well over the axles of the engine. On Wednesday the trains were unable to be despatched over the portion affected by the washaways, and it is not yet known when traffic will be resumed from Midland Junction. Trains on Wednesday were run to the entrance of Moora station. On the Geraldton end trains were run to Watheroo, and arrangements are being made to expedite the resumption of traffic between these two stations. Special trains were run during the early part of Wednesday morning with assistance for repairing the line.

A less serious washaway occurred at Three Springs, about 60 miles beyond Watheroo, but was promptly repaired. The heavy rain on Tuesday caused a washaway on the Murchison railway near Mullewa, which delayed the Geraldton to Cue train for six hours.

The monsoonal conditions which have prevailed in Western Australia are extending eastwards. The disturbance in that State commenced on Monday morning, and there have been heavy rainfalls. On Thursday the rainstorm was well over Central Australia and Northern Territory. More rains have occurred in Victoria, South Australia, and at a few places in Queensland. Early yesterday evening showers commenced to fall at Broken Hill, Milparinka, and other places in the western districts of New South Wales.

RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS AT BROKEN HILL.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

Mr. Johnson, the Chief Railway Commissioner, left Broken Hill for Menindie early this morning, accompanied by Mr. Richardson, Assistant Commissioner, and Mr. Kneeshaw. Giving evidence before Mr. Johnson yesterday, several citizens spoke in favour of the construction of a railway line to Menindie. They said the fruit, vegetables, stock, and wood could with the railway be supplied to Broken Hill cheaper than at present.

Mr. Johnson, in reply, said he was not in Broken Hill representing the Government. He was there merely on private visit, and he was visiting the city on his inspection he thought it only right for him to see for himself privately all there was to be seen of the proposed railway.

A deputation yesterday asked Mr. Johnson for a couple of city tramway extensions. Mr. Johnson said that every consideration would be given to the requests. For the past year Broken Hill trams had made a profit of over £100, after paying all interest.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

A good deal of business was effected on 'Change yesterday, prices ruling firm. Bank of New South Wales new shares advanced 2s 6d, Perkins' Brewery 9d, and Toohey's 2s 6d, other sales being at previously current rates. In quite a number of cases buyers raised their offers.

The following sales were reported:—Morning: Perkins and Co., 35s 9d; Mount Kemble Coal, £24; Australian Gaslight, £18 15s; Toohey, Limited, 12s; City Bank of Sydney (old), 77s 6d; Bank of New South Wales (new), £45 2s 6d; Colonial Sugar, £44 15s. Afternoon: E. S. and A. Bank, deferred 18s 9d, debentures 18s 6d; Bank of N.S.W., old, £46 12s 6d; Wallsend Coal, £26 10s.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital Paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div. per annum.	Prices. Last Sale.	Buyers.	Sellers.	Yield to Investor.
A.U.S.N.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
A.A.S.N.	4,000,000	...	...	8	8 5	8 7	8 10	P.c.
Do., Do. 1917	1,250,175	...	...	8½	99	98	...	
Do., Do. 1912	2,340,350	...	...	4	102	101½	102½	
Do., Do. 1905								
Do., Do.				8	92	9	91	
Do., Do. 1915				8	99½	99½	...	
Do., Do. 1921				8	99½	99½	...	
Do., Do. 1917	250,189	...	...	4	108	107	110	
Do., Do. 1919								
Do., Do. 1908	350,000	...	...	4	100½	...	...	
Do., Do. 1919				4	100½	100	...	
Do., Deb. 1908				4	...	100	...	
Do., T. 1910								
Do., Do. 1925	1,199,700	...	...	8½	100	99	...	
Do., Do. 1908	300,000	...	...	4	101½	100	...	
A.J.S. Deb. 1908								
Do., Do. 1910				4	101	100½	102	
Queens. Deb., 1908				4	102½	101	103	
Do., Do. 1909								
Do., Do. 1910				4	101½	...	...	
Do., Do. 1918				4	101	102	...	
Do., Tr. 1915	850,000	...	...	4	101½	101	102	
W.A., Inscr., Australia, Gen.								
Deb., 1927	800,000	...	...	4	102	101	...	
Do., Perpetual	750,000	...	...	4	103½	102	...	
Do., 1908	100,000	...	...	4	103½	...	...	
Do., Inscribed Deb.								
Do., 1909				5	108	107	...	
N.Z., Inscribed Deb.								
1910								
BANKS.								
Aust., J. S.	184,928	85	1					
Aust., Bank of	1,000,000	40	40	14	168	164	168	
Aust., Joint Stock	1,000,000	10	10	3	17/6	17/	17/6	
Bank of Adelaide	300,000	10	8	3	6/9	7/	...	
Bank of Australasia	160,000	10	8	3	69	67½	...	
Bank of Commercial of Aust.	64,862	10	10	...	15/6	...	16/	
Bank of New Zealand	2,717,290	10	10	8	6/4/0	6/	...	
Bank of N.S.W.	1,000,000	25	12	10	78½	78½	79	
Bank of Victoria	1,000,000	20	15	10	38½	...	...	
Bk. of N.S.W. (new)	219,545	25	12½	10	39	...	...	
Bk. of N.S.W.	1,140,000	5	5	5	10/	...	...	
Bk. of Tasmania	3,685,740	10	10	5	11/6	...	12/	
Bk. of Victoria	2,000,000	20	20	10	45/	45½	46	
Bk. of W. Australia	500,000	20	20	10	43½	43	...	
Bk. of New Zealand	497,810	6/	5½	10	10½	...	11	
Bk. of Queensland	340,000	7	2	4	21/	27/6	...	
Colonial Mut. Life	479,625	5	4	...	5½	...	...	
Perpetual Trustee	407,561	9	4½	20	26/	...	26½	
Royal Exchange	1,500,000	75	20	14	6½	6¾	...	
INSURANCE.								
A.A.S.A.								
Australian Alliance				5	14/11	14/10	15/	
Do., Do.								
Do., Do. 1917					13/14	15/	...	
Australian Fire	788,031	...	...	8½	13/6	12/6½	...	
Australian Mutual Prov.								
Soc., Ltd.	3,334,903	...	...	8	17/6	17/6	...	
Australian Provident								
Soc., Ltd.	600,419	...	...	8	18/3	18/	17/6	
Australian Union	808,758	...	...	4½	19/10	19/6	...	
Do., Pref.	98,347	...	...	...	18/6	18/6	...	
Do., Def.	3,116,621	...	...	3½	17/	16/6	17/	
Do., Scrip								
BREWERIES.								
Adelaide Brewery	30,000	1	1	10	41/	40/6	41/6	
Brewery Assets								
Do., Pref.	250,000	20	20½	10	54/3	54/	55/	
Do., Def.	...	...	20½	10/	7/	15/	...	
Cascade Brewery	200,000	...	...	10	30/	29/6	31/3	
Do., Scrip					5/6	5/3	...	
Tooth & Co.	40,000	1	1/5	7	23/	22/6	...	
Tooth & Co., Pref.	100,000	1	1	7	23/	22/6	23/	
Tooth & Co., Def.	132,230	1	17/6	2	2/6	2/3	...	
Do., Scrip	1,770	1	17/6	2	2/6	2/3	...	
Tooth & Co., Deb.	30,000	1	1	5	10/10	10/6½	11/	
Tooth & Co., Mort. Deb.	100,000	1	1	10	20/	19/6	20/	
Tooth & Co., Inscribed Deb.	100,000	1	1	10	20/	19/6	20/	
Tooth & Co., New	29,986	1	10/	...	5/6	...	5½	
BREWERIES.								
A.B. Fire	75,000	1	15/	14/	45/6	44/6	46/	
Australian Fire	50,000	1	6/	14/	17/6	17/6	18/	
New Zealand	250,000	10	2	14/	37/	36/	38/	
N. Zealand Insurance	150,000	1	10/	8	20/	...	...	
Union	40,000	1	2/	4	5/	...	5/	
Australian Fire	100,000	1	1	10	41/	42/	...	
N.M. Fire	6,000	...	20/	...	...	...	...	
Queensland	2,700	25	...	...	...	...	...	
Sydney Fire	75,000	...	20/	6	20/3	...	...	
Do., Prefs.	17,907	...	20/	6	...	20/	...	
Sydney Mutual	50,000	1	20/	...	...	...	...	
United Marine								
Ex. & Agency								
Union, Marine					12/	...	...	
LAND & BUILDING.								
Aust. B. & I.								
Do., Deb.					2/6	2/	...	
Do., Def.					9/	...	...	
Australian Estates & Finance								
Australian Estates & Mortgage							12/	
Do., Pref.								
Do., Def.								
Australian Estates & Mortgage	100,000	10	10		7	6½	...	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	100,000	10	20/		14/	14/	15/	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	17,500	10/	10/		1/1	1/	...	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	20,000	1	10/		1/1	1/	...	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	20,000	1	1		1	1/	1/1	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	30,000	1	1	10	30/	29/	31/	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	40,000	10	4	10/	2/3	2/2	2/6	
Australian Estates & Mortgage				1/	7/	6/	...	
Australian Estates & Mortgage								
Australian Estates & Mortgage	104,845	1	1		6/6	...	6/	
Australian Estates & Mortgage				1	15/	...	6/6	
Australian Estates & Mortgage				1	20/	...	20/	
Australian Estates & Mortgage								
Australian Estates & Mortgage	7,500	1	12/6	10	22/	21/	...	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	170,000	6	6	15	1/1	1/	1/1	
Australian Estates & Mortgage				10	11/	11½	...	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	60,000	10	10/	10	14/9	...	...	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	10,000	1	1	15	19/	...	...	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	8,000	1	1	8	80/45	20/	...	
Australian Estates & Mortgage								
Australian Estates & Mortgage	7,734	1	20/	...	20/	20/	...	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	15,000	5	5		5/	...	6/	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	10,000	1	1	10	21/	22/	...	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	7,500	1	17/6	8	22/	21/	22/	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	8,000	1	1	7	23/	...	45	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	60,000	1	2	15	45/	...	45	
Australian Estates & Mortgage	150,000	1	1	8	42/6	41/6	43/6	
MINING.								
A.U.A. & Wood								
Australian	250,000	1	1	4	11/6	11/6	12/	
Broken Hill	1,000,000	1	1	10	21½	21½	22	
Broken Hill Prop.	400,000	10/	10/	1	21½	21½	22	
Bulli's Coal	800,000	1	1	1	23/9	23/6	23/9	
Do., Pref.								
Do., Def.								
Do., Scrip								
Do., Notes								
Do., Bonds								
Do., Deb.								
Do., Inscribed Deb.								
Do., Mort. Deb.								
Do., Mort. Deb.								
Do., Mort.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

THE SHARE MARKET.

A considerable amount of business was done yesterday in a falling market. This may appear an anomaly, but it is not so. Many of the operators were "bears," who took advantage of low prices to "cover" spec. sales made at higher rates. The sudden desire on the part of the "bears" to cover was due to an impression that prices had "bottomed" as the result of the steady fall in copper and lead.

As the "bears" would not cover except in a falling market, it means that prices all round were weak. In the copper section O.K. Copper declined from 8s 2d to 8s, Wallaroo and Moonta from 96s to 93s 6d, Mungana from 9s 9d to 9s 5d, Chillagoe Mines from 7s 7½d to 6s, Macgregors from 6s to 5s 6d, and Mount Cannindah from 3s 6d to 2s 8d. The only stock that held firm was Mount Morgans at 86s.

In the silver section business was recorded in Broken Hill Proprietary, which eased from 86s 6d to 83s, North Broken Hill from 76s 6d to 75s, B.H. Junction North from 23s 1½d to 22s, whilst B.H. Southa sold weakly at 30s 6d on one month's terms. The other leading Barrier mines also showed weak quotations. Tin stocks were out of favour, the only sale recorded being in Daisiell's Tin at 4s 2d. In gold stocks Mount Davida changed hands freely from 2s 3d to 2s 6d.

During the afternoon business slackened off very much. In copper shares "Lloyd" copper repeated the previous day's weak sales at 9s 9d; Macgregors firmed a fraction, whilst Wallaroo and Moonta were weak at 93s 6d. In silver shares B.H. South, contg. sold at £7 8s 6d, a decrease of 1s 6d. In gold stocks business centred around Mount Davids, which closed with sales at 2s 7½d.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyers. £ s. d.	Sellers. £ s. d.
COPPER.		
Bogan River	0 11 6	0 12 0
Ditto, contributing	0 4 0	0 4 9
Budgery North	—	0 0 0
Ditto, contributing	—	0 0 0
Chillagoe	0 6 2	0 6 9
Chillagoe-Buddigore	—	15 0 0
Clowell Creek, Bombaderee	—	0 0 0
Girilambone Mining	0 1 8	0 2 3
Gratton	—	1 11 0
Hampden-Cloncurry, paid	0 11 4	0 12 0
Lloyd Copper	0 9 74	0 9 9
Lobb's Hole	0 10 0	0 12 6
Ditto, contributing	0 4 0	0 5 0
McGregor-Cloncurry, paid	0 5 7	0 5 8
Mount Cannindah	0 2 8½	0 2 9
Mount Molloy	0 18 0	0 18 6
Mungana (Chillagoe)	0 9 7	0 9 9
North Nymagee	0 1 0	0 1 11
O.K.	0 8 1	0 8 2½
Queen Bee	—	1 1 0
Tasmanian Copper paid	—	0 1 6
Wallaroo and Moonta	4 13 0	4 14 0
TIN.		
Daisiell's Tin Mines	0 4 1	0 4 4
Gilmore	0 6 8	0 6 9
Smith's Creek Proprietary	0 2 9	0 3 0
Stannary Hills	—	0 5 4
Vulcan	0 7 6	0 8 3
SILVER.		
New South Wales, etc.		
British Broken Hill	1 14 0	1 16 0
Broken Hill Proprietary	4 3 0	4 5 0
Ditto, Block 10	4 11 0	4 12 6
Ditto, preference	6 6 0	—
B.H. Junction	0 8 7	0 8 9
B.H. Junction North	1 12 10½	1 13 6
B.H. North	—	2 16 0
B.H. South	7 14 0	7 16 0
B.H. South, contributing	3 18 0	3 19 0
B.H. South Blocks	—	1 11 6
Sulphide Corporation (ordinary)	0 17 0	0 19 0
GOLD.		
New South Wales, etc.		
Araluen Steam Shovel, contributing	0 4 9	0 6 0
Baker's Creek	0 5 4	—
Harden	1 3 6	1 6 6
Harden Central, paid	0 4 4	0 4 8
Ditto, contributing	0 2 0	0 2 6
Harden West	—	0 2 0
Ditto, contributing	—	0 0 8
Mount David	0 2 6½	0 2 7½
Myall and Peak Hill, paid	0 0 11	0 1 3
New Hillgrove Proprietary	0 7 3	0 7 5
Occidental	0 8 6	0 9 6
Sunlight	0 0 8	0 1 0
Dredging and Sluicing.		
Amalgamated Tin	0 5 0	0 6 6
Araluen Central	0 7 0	0 8 0
Araluen Gold Dredging	0 6 0	0 7 0
Buckland River	0 1 0	—
Ditto, preference	0 4 0	—
Cape of Crete	0 8 4	0 8 0
Eightythree	—	0 0 0
Jembaicumbene	0 2 1	0 2 3
New Wylie Creek	0 5 6	0 6 3
Orana Valley	0 7 6	0 8 6
Reform Tin, paid	—	0 0 0
Tingha Tin	—	0 5 6
Turon River	0 7 0	0 8 0
Paddock Swamp	—	0 4 2
Queensland.		
Charters Towers, etc.		
Band of Hope	0 1 0	—
Bonnie Dundee	—	0 —
Brilliant Extended	—	0 0 0
Ditto, contributing	0 0 8	0 7 0
Kelly's Queen	0 0 6	0 0 8
Mount Morgan	4 5 6	4 6 0
Queen Central Block	—	0 2 6
Ruby	—	0 2 0
Gympie.		
North Columbia and Smithfield, No. 1	—	0 2 3
Ditto, No. 2	0 10 6	0 12 3
North Smithfield	0 2 6	—
Oriental Extended	0 0 6½	—
South Clunavire and Monkland	0 2 0	0 4 6
South Great Eastern, No. 3	0 1 6	—
Great Northern	—	0 7 6
Western Australia.		
Chaffer's Freehold	0 0 8	—
Great Boulder, Main Reef	—	0 0 9
Ditto, No. 1	—	0 5 0
Ditto, Perseverance	—	0 2 0
Kalgoorlie	0 2 0	—
Princess Royal	0 4 2	—

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

MORNING.

Copper.—Mount Morgan, 86s; O.K. Copper, 8s; Wallaroo and Moonta, 94s, 93s 6d; Mungana, 9s 5d; Chillagoe Mines, 6s; MacGregor, 5s 6d; Mount Cannindah, 2s 6d.

Silver.—B.H. Proprietary, 83s 3d, 83s; B.H. South Blocks, terms one month, 30s 6d; B.H. North, 75s; B.H. Junction North, 23s; terms two months, 23s 4½d.

Tin.—Daisiell's Tin, 4s 2d.

Gold.—Kelly's Queen Block (paid), 2s 2d; Mount David, 2s 3d, 2s 4½d, 2s 5d, 2s 6d; Ellenborough (Bendigo), 2s.

AFTERNOON.

Copper: Lloyd's, 9s 9d; Macgregor, 5s 7d; Wallaroo and Moonta, 93s 6d.

Silver: Broken Hill Southa, contg., £7 8s 6d; Broken Hills, 83s 6d.

Tin: Daisiell's, 4s 3d; Gilmore, 6s 8d.

Gold: Princess Royal, W.A., paid, 4s 1½d; Mount David, 2s 7½d; Baker's Creek, 5s 6d.

MINING NOTES.

The Oriental and Glanmire Company (Gympie) has crushed 330 tons for 490oz of gold.

The Briseis Tin-mining Company (Tas.) has declared a dividend of 9d per share, free of tax, payable on August 28.

The report of the C.S.A. Mines for the week ended July 24 discloses no changes in the mine worthy of note. Some 4 tons of copper ore were raised.

The Bonnie Dundee Company (Cobar) has got its No. 2 shaft down 219ft, the last 7ft being through nice lode matter, with seams of crushed quartz and brown slate. It does not show copper stains.

The Pioneer Gold-mining Company, Limited, has been registered in N.S.W. to take over the Pioneer G.M. Company, No Liability, Bright, in the State of Victoria. The capital is £31,000 in £5 shares.

Brown iron slate, with lots of quartz, is being passed through by the North Shangecopper mine at 91ft. Another 50ft are to be sunk. Shangecopper-mining Syndicate has let a contract to sink 70ft from the 82ft level.

An improvement has taken place in several faces on the lodes being worked by the Hercules mine at Keehan. The output for last week was 310 tons of smelting sulphides, and 50 tons of zinc-blende ore.

The manager of the Alpha Copper-mining Company, in the Cobar district, reports that the shaft is now down to a depth of 82ft. At 85ft a change came in from the west, consisting of soft grey slate, iron gossan, and quartz.

The shaft of the Restdown mine is down 141ft. At 132ft a porphyry wall was met with, underlaying slightly to the east. A start was made to sink on the underlay, keeping the wall on the bottom. The lode in the bottom of the underlay is the same as last reported, copper stains being visible.

For the week ended July 26 the furnaces of the Girilambone Company smelted 77 tons of ore and fluxes for 7½ tons of matte. At the same time 11 tons 13cwt of matte were roasted, for 6 tons 18cwt of rough copper. There was no change to report in the mine workings.

The formation on the Ring River section of the Tasmanian Copper Company carries a 12in vein, worth 10 per cent. of copper, while the lode on the Rosebery section is 8ft wide. The stopes are carrying ore of fair quality at Nos. 4 and 2 levels, while the intermediate level lode is 6ft wide, and no sign of the hanging wall. The output for the week was 240 tons of ore.

For the week ended July 19 the Ivanhoe section of the Stannary Hills tin mines (Q.) produced 200 tons of ore, the Eclipse section 200 tons, and the Arbeolu section 100 tons. A small rich seam is being driven on in the Young Australia section. The mill treated 235 tons. A telegram from the manager on July 29 stated:—"Arbouin opening very good. Ivanhoe No. 2 shaft, 3 per cent. ore struck. Have started to develop."

Since last report, the west crosscut of the Canbelego copper mine has been extended 7ft, the country passed through consisting of schist and blue slate, with veins of green and blue carbonates of copper throughout. In the north drive a good strong ore body was met with, about 2ft wide, consisting of black oxide and sulphide, worth 6 per cent. copper. The face at present shows about 18 inches of this ore, which is basic, and very suitable for smelting. The drive is on the fault, and is at present all in the disturbed area.

Private cables state that amongst the shares quoted on the London Stock Exchange on Wednesday were the following:—Boulder Perseverance, 7s 6d (m), ex div.; Mount Lyell, s 33s 1½d; Broken Hill, 22s 6d (m); British Broken Hill, s 32s 6d; Great Boulder, s 24s; Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, ex div., £6 7s 6d (?); Chillagoe, 6s 6d (m); Sulphide Corporation (ord.), s 18s; Zinc Corporation, b 3s 3d; North Broken Hill, ex div., 75s (m); Mount Elliott, 6½ 3d (m); Hampden, b 11s 3d; Great Cobar, Limited, £3 7s 6d. Copper was quoted at £86 10s, a decline of £2 10s; and lead at £19 15s, a fall of 5s.

At the half-yearly meeting of the Melbourne Cope's Creek Tin-sluicing Company, held in Melbourne on Wednesday, Mr. F. Monemain, chairman, said that the contributing shareholders had paid £6500 into the company, and had received £5500 back in dividends, while the total dividends amounted to £8250. Satisfactory arrangements had been made for placing a new plant on the property, and it was anticipated it would be in work within two months. The company had a credit balance of £3000. In reply to questions, the chairman said the additional plant would yield five or six tons per month.

The Tewksbury Consolidated Gold Dredging Company, the prospectus of which appeared in yesterday's issue, is being formed in 66,500 shares of £1 each, to consolidate and take over as a going concern, from July 1, 1907, the assets, except cash and gold in hand, of the Tewksbury, Tewksbury Freehold, Eurobin, and Freehurgh Gold-dredging companies, including five dredges and all dredging rights over 1000 acres of auriferous land, on which the dredges are working in the valley of the Ovens River, near Bright, Victoria. These properties were originally taken up by Mr. P. W. Tewksbury, who personally prospected them, and, after satisfying himself that they were payable propositions, formed companies to work same. He is also the promoter of the well-known Ovens Valley Company, now controls no less than seven dredges, and has a record of never having floated a "duffer" or "wild cat." His Tewksbury dredge holds the record for Victoria for one week's yield—viz., 1350z in 120 hours' work. The Freehold No. 2 secured 101oz for a similar period. At the present time he holds the managing directorship of all the companies herein described, and which it is proposed to amalgamate and is willing to retain the same position in the consolidated company, if so desired, so that all dredging operations will continue to be under his personal supervision. Full information on the matter can be obtained from the Sydney brokers, Messrs. T. J. Thompson and Son, 92 Pitt-street.

HARDEN GOLD MINE.

GOOD MONTH'S RECORD.

A good month's record by the Harden Gold Mine was reported yesterday. It showed that the 20-head battery ran 545 hours during July, and treated 1100 tons of ore for a battery yield of 654oz of gold, worth £2454 7s 6d. During the same time 907 tons sands were cyanided for 850z of gold, worth £318 18s. Some 283 tons of concentrates sold for £439 6s 11d, so that the total value of the products for the month was £3213 11s 5d.

During the previous month the mill in a 527 hours' run, treated 918 tons, yielding gold valued at £1986 14s 11d. There were cyanided 276 tons of sand for gold valued at £173 0s 5d, whilst 19 tons 15cwt of concentrates sold for £294 10s 5d. The crushing just reported gives a battery yield of a little over 11dwt 21gr per ton—an excellent return, and an improvement on the previous month.

Some members of the Stock Exchange considered it impossible for 1100 tons to yield 907 tons of sand for cyaniding, and came to the conclusion that the manager had been drawing largely upon the accumulated sand heap for his cyaniding operations. This is not so. The ore slimes a little over 21 per cent., but with the 1100 tons of ore would produce close on 900 tons of sand.

The slimes, a very valuable asset—more valuable than the sands—have been accumulating ever since the battery started, and at the end of last month the slime pit contained 2400 tons, which assays were considered worth of gold per ton. A slimes plant, based on a modification of the Moore vacuum principle, is being erected, and will be in operation at the end of this month. It is estimated that the 26s 5d worth of gold can be extracted at a cost of 4s per ton, leaving a profit of 22s 5d per ton. The estimated cost of 4s is a most liberal allowance, for at the Occidental mine, where the Moore process is in operation, it only costs 2s a ton to extract 10s worth of gold from a ton of slimes. It costs about £1 6s 9d to treat a ton of ore.

NO. 1 BUDGERY SOUTH MINE.

Mr. G. M. Field, managing director of the No. 1 South Budgery Company, which is working energetically in the effort to pick up the southerly continuation of the Budgery mine lode, writes that it is incorrect to say "that abandoned shoots exist on the north end of the Budgery mines. In this he is correct, the words "south-west" being inadvertently included in the points of compass mentioned The No. 1 South Budgery mine, contrasted with those north and north-westerly of the Budgery mines, has stuck pluckily to the task of proving its ground. The shaft—now 243ft—is the deepest on the field, and at 233ft cut a well-defined channel, bearing 55 east of north, and dipping 45 south-east. This has been cross-cutted through 110ft, without signs of the footwall, and though values have not yet been found, Mr. Field remarks, "We have got to the stage, that if we start east or north to strike (or the Budgery lode) is a matter of indifference to us. It is only a question of time, and a little prospecting, to land us at the delectable state of ore producer." Mr. Field says that his neighbours sunk shafts here, there, and everywhere, to catch the "true" strike of the Budgery lode, until now "parts of the field resemble alluvial rushes, that have been fossicked over and abandoned by Chinamen."

WALLAROO AND MOONTA COPPER MINES.

COSTLY COPPER PRODUCTION.

For upwards of 40 years South Australia has enjoyed the benefits of the profitable working of the Wallaroo and Moonta copper mines. Situated on Yorke Peninsula, and within easy distance from Adelaide, their geographical position has enabled supplies to be placed on the works at a very moderate cost. For instance, coal at 15s per ton, coke at 30s, and transport of copper from works to the port of shipment at a few shillings per ton, are important factors in the working costs of the Wallaroo and Moonta mines.

As shares in the company are now somewhat largely held in this State, shareholders are beginning to ask the question, "How is it that it costs £70 to produce a ton of copper at the Wallaroo and Moonta mines, whilst in this State, where the conditions are not so favourable for cheap production, the cost ranges from £38 to £50 per ton."

Again, if Mount Lyell can divide £255,000 as profit from the production of less than 5000 tons of metallic copper, or half a million sterling from a year's output of 9000 tons of metallic copper, there must be a leakage somewhere if Wallaroo and Moonta divides £150,000 as profit from an output of 7000 tons of metallic copper.

The cost of £70 to produce a ton of copper is exorbitant. It simply means that if copper were to slump to £60 the Wallaroo and Moonta mines would not pay, whilst other mines producing at £50 would. It is asserted that the excessive cost of production at the Wallaroo and Moonta mines is due to the old-fashioned methods and machinery employed.

There seems to be no contraction in the size of the ore bodies, nor in their average quality. A very material reduction would be the equivalent to £3 per ton of metallic copper, as the main leakage can scarcely be attributed to mining costs. Some people consider that another source of leakage might be in the department of ore purchased, as a fairly large proportion of the annual output is said to be from purchased ores. But it has invariably been stated that on purchased ores a fair profit resulted. The natural cementation process of producing copper by lixiviation from the Moonta dumps is the cheapest method of production used on the works, the cost being under £30 per ton.

The leakage must, therefore, be in the ore-dressing, concentrating, and smelting departments. It is said that more than one effort has been made to enlist the services of specialists to devise ways and means to reduce the dressing and smelting costs. Therefore, it has been tacitly admitted that such costs are too high. The evidence points all too clearly to the conclusion that the said costs have never before been so high as at the present time. Consequently it is more or less manifest to shareholders that costs can be lowered, and they will naturally clamour for this to be done. They will contend for the retention of the services of the best authority available on the economic treatment of copper ores, so as to bring about a much-needed reduction in the present cost of £70 in producing a ton of copper.

MINING IN THE STATE.

ORANGE, Thursday.

Twenty tons of stone from the Queen of the Ranges mine, Palmer's Bulga, yielded 17ozs. This is the first crushing for some months, time having been occupied in preparing for work on an extended scale. A stope, 50ft long, with 150ft of backs and 1ft of good stone, is now opened.

After an lapse of nearly a year, the Bobs Mount copper mine, Emu Swamp Creek, has resumed operations. Black ore is being broken from a body 5ft wide, and showing traces of sulphides. Nine tons were recently treated at the Waratah Works, but the returns are not yet available. Ten tons are being prepared for despatch to the same works. A shaft, known as Payne's, is being sunk to cut the lode to the north.

PARKES, Thursday.

Kahle and party put through 37 loads at the Bushman's Battery for a return of 25oz 19dwt.

WEST WYALONG FIELD.

WEST WYALONG, Thursday.

The Shamrock syndicate has sent 15 tons this week to the Cockle Creek works, taken from the 500ft level. A drive is now being put in to connect with the winze, from which the output is expected to be particularly good, the last parcel taken from there having yielded as follows:—4 tons, 18oz 19dwt per ton; 14 tons, 10ozs per ton; and 14 tons, 8oz 19dwt per ton. When this drive reaches the winze a number of extra hands will be put on.

A parcel of 40 tons of 2½os stone from the Golden Fleece mine has been sent to Cockle Creek works, and about 100 tons are being crushed at the battery. Rich sulphide ore has been struck in the stopes of the western reef at 650ft (the deepest level), in a fairly sized ore body. The crosscut to connect the working shaft on the western reef with the eastern (the richest) reef will be completed in about three weeks. The new and expensive plant is about complete. The manager, Mr. A. A. Duncan, expects to have room for many more hands after a while.

BROKEN HILL MINES.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

The British Broken Hill mine underground presents its usual appearance. The King shaft has been handed back to the B.H. Junction Company, from which it was leased, as the section can now be worked through the Thompson shaft.

The B.H. Block 10 mill last week treated 3301 tons of crudes, producing 539 tons of concentrates, assaying 59.6 per cent. lead, 33.3oz silver, and 10½ per cent. zinc.

TIN, BISMUTH, AND MOLYBDENITE.

DEEPWATER, Wednesday.

Mining machinery is still coming forward in large quantities. The Great Britain Tin-sluicing Company has ordered from Zollner a complete sluicing plant. The Elsie Tin-sluicing Company are also installing an additional plant to increase its supply of water. The Burke's Hill Tin-sluicing Company has in transit large quantities of pipes for the conveyance of water to the workings. The Wentworth mining properties are erecting another concentrating plant on a proposition lately secured.

The bismuth property, held by Mr. John Nobbs, near Deepwater, is being prospected, and the results, so far, are most encouraging. The yields of both bismuth and molybdenite are payable. This property has been named the Marion Bismuth and Molybdenite Mine.

LODE-TIN MINING.

NEED OF A GOVERNMENT BATTERY.

TINGHA, Wednesday.

Partridge and party, who have been working on the Butchart reef for some years with varied success, have cleaned up for a return of nearly half a ton of tin. As they are only working miners, without capital, it is only the best stone that can be taken, and this has to be crushed by hand. Tons of stone are thrown aside that would yield good returns if passed through a battery.

Some few weeks ago Messrs. Wilson and Smith cleaned up a gold shoot, which there was a reef worked some years ago, but owing to the price of tin being low and the prospectors having no capital it had to be abandoned. The present party sank only a few feet and struck the reef again, showing a seam of exceedingly rich tin.

Carter and party have been working for about a couple of months on an old reef which they worked 17 years ago at the head of Ah Bing's lead. They had to abandon it 17 years ago owing to the low price of tin. Within the last few days they have struck a seam of tin. Practical testers consider it to be a true reef, running north-east, with a vertical dip. The vein is about 4in wide, and contains fully 60 per cent. of tin. Within a short distance of this claim another party has struck a reef supposed to be on the same line.

Orchard and party have been working a reef on the Inverell-road about a mile from Tingha for some years, but have not shut down, as it has got beyond their capabilities. Kelly and party at the Ponds have also been working a reef for some years with payable returns, but all the stone from their reefs has to be crushed by hand, which is a very slow process, and only the best stone is crushed.

It would be a good thing for this field if the Government would erect a small battery in a central spot, where stone could be crushed at a small charge. There is a probability that capitalists would then step in and invest money in a good battery, so that when the dredging industry was abandoned we would have the reefs and deep leads to work, thus making this field a payable one for many years to come.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

To-day's sales and quotations were:—

W.A. Mines: Associated, 18s 9d, b 18s 7½d, s 18s 10½d; Northern, b 16s 9d, s 17s; Perseverance, 7s 5d, 7s 6d, b 7s 3d, s 7s 5d; Cumberland, 4s, 4s 6d, b 4s 3d, s 4s 6d; Boulder, 24s 6d; Golden Ridge, 24s 9d; Great Ophir, 2s 9d, 2s 8d, b 2s 7d, s 2s 8d; Hainault, 22s 6d, 22s, 22s 9d, b 22s 6d, s 22s; Ivanhoe, £7 11s, b £7 10s, s £7 11s; Mararoa, 7s 5d, b 7s, s 7s 6d; Oroya, b 33s, s 34s; Paullu, 20s 6d, b 20s, s 20s 6d.

Various: *Baker's Creek*, 5s 6d, 5s 4½d, 5s 6d, 5s 5d.

Silver: Broken Hills, 83s 3d, 83s 6d, 84s, b 83s 6d, s 84s; Block 14 pref., 26s 9d, 27s 3d; British Broken Hill, b 33s 9d, s 35s; Broken Hill, b 83s, s 84s; Junction, b 8s 6d, s 8s 9d; Junction North, b 3s 3d, s 23s 6d; South, b £7 9s, s £7 11s; ditto, paid, s £7 19s; South Blocks, 30s 3d, 30s 6d, b 30s 6d, s 31s 3d; North Broken Hill, b 75s, s 76s; Sulphide, s 20s.

Copper: Mount Lyell, 33s 9d, 34s, b 33s 9d, s 33s 10½d; ditto Consols, 8s, b 8s, s 8s 1d; Chillagoe, 6s 6d, 6s 10d; ditto, paid, 7s 3d, 7s 10d, 7s 9d, b 7s 9d, s 7s 10d; Hampden, 11s 6d, 11s 8d, 12s, b 11s 11d, s 12s 1d; Macgregor, 5s 9d, 5s 7d, 5s 10d, b 5s 10d, s 6s; Mount Cannindah, s 2s 9d; Mount Elliott, 63s, 64s 10½d, b 64s 9d, s 65s; Mount Hope, 9d, s 1s 2d; Mount Molloy, b 19s, s 19s 6d; Mungana, 9s 7d, 10s 1d, 10s, b 10s, s 10s 1d; O.K., Copper, Adelaide register, 8s 2d, 8s, 8s 3d, s 8s 4d; Blayney Mines, b 5s 6d.

Tin: Amalgamated Tin, s 6s 9d; Briseis, 12s 6d, 12s 8d, b 12s 7d, s 12s 8d; ditto Extended b 3s, s 3s; Brothers No. 1, 10s, 9s 11d, 10s 3d, b 10s 2d, s 10s 4d; Cope's Creek Central, b 17s, s 19s 6d; Melbourne Cope's Creek, b 15s, s 15s 6d; ditto, paid, b 15s.

Victorian gold mines: Ajax, 32s 6d, 32s 6d, b 32s 7½d; Alexandra Reef, 4s 6d, 4s 4½d, b 4s, s 4s 6d; Catherine Reef, 40s, 41s, b 40s, s 41s; Collmann and Tacchi, 14s, 14s 3d, s 14s 3d; Ellenborough, 2s 2d, b 2s 3d; Goldfields Consols, 12s 3d, 12s 4d, b 12s 3d, s 12s 4d; Londonderry, £5; Hustler's Reef, b 19s; Long Tunnel, £5 0s, £5 4s 6d, b £5 5s, s £5 6s; ditto Extended, £12 15s, £12, b £12 18s, s £13 5s; New Argus, s 19s; New Chum Railway, 14s 8d, b 13s, s 17s; New Dempsey, 20s, 20s 6d, 19s 6d, 23s 3d, 22s 10½d, b 22s 9d, s 23s 6d; Sea, 10s 9d, b 10s, s 11s 6d; South Germon, 2s 17s, s 18s; South New Moon, 66s, 67s, b 67s; Star of the East, 1s 8d, b 1s 3d, s 1s 6d; Victor's Quartz, 3s 6d, 3s 6½d, b 3s 7d, s 3s 8d; Williams' United, 15s 6d, 15s 10½d, 16s 1d, 15s, b 16s.

Western Australian gold mines: Barramble Ranges, 3s 6d, 3s 5d, b 3s 3d, s 3s 4d; ditto, paid, s 10d; Barrambie South, s 10d; Black Range, 29s, 30s, 29s 7½d, b 29s, s 30s; Hainault, 29s 2d; Havilah, 10s, b 9s 10d, s 10s 3d; Ivanhoe, s £7 15s; Mararoa, 7s 4½d, b 7s 2d, s 7s 5d; Queen Margaret, b 4s 1d; Tindal's, b 2s 7d.

LONDON SHARE MARKET.

LONDON, Aug. 1.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday quotations of Australian mining ventures were:—Broken Hill Proprietary, b 82s 6d, s 83s 9d; British Broken Hill, b 32s 6d, s 33s 9d; Block 10, b 91s 3d, s 93s 9d; North Broken Hill, b 73s 9d, s 76s 3d, ex dividend; South Broken Hill, b £7 12s 6d, s £7 17s 6d.

DIVIDENDS.

Dividends have been declared, payable on the dates mentioned hereunder. (x) denotes when transfer books close, and P. when payable:—

NEW SOUTH WALES.

	£	s	d
Phoenix Dredging, C. Aug. 3, P. Aug. 9	0	0	6
Crown Lands Dredging, C. Aug. 8, P. Aug. 9	0	0	3
New Wylie Creek, C. Aug. 3, P. Aug. 7	0	0	6
Reform Tin-dredging, C. Aug. 2, P. Aug. 5	0	0	6
Stanthorpe Tin, C. July 31, P. Aug. 2	0	0	6
B.H. Block 14, div. 3s, bonus 1s 6d, P. Aug. 14	0	2	6
Harden Gold Mine, C. Aug. 1, P. Aug. 5	0	0	6
B.H. Proprietary, C. Aug. 7, P. Aug. 21	0	3	0
Tingha Consols, C. Aug. 1, P. Aug. 8, 10 per cent.	0	0	1
B.H. South, C. Aug. 2, P. Aug. 17	0	4	0

VICTORIA.

Great Southern, P. Aug. 1	0	0	6
Port Arthur, C. Aug. 9, P. Aug. 14	0	0	6
New Chum Goldfields, C. July 30, P. Aug. 1	0	1	0
Sea, C. July 30, P. Aug. 1	0	0	6
Tewksbury Dredge, C. Aug. 1, P. Aug. 10	0	0	6
Long Tunnel, C. July 29, P. Aug. 6	0	1	0

QUEENSLAND.

Gilmore Tin, P. Aug. 9	0	0	3
Endeavour and Mt. Perry, C. Aug. 5	0	0	10
Mount Molloy, C. Brs. July 22, Irvinebank July 29, P. Aug. 3	0	0	6

TASMANIA.

New Bros.' Home No. 1, C. Aug. 21, P. Aug. 28	0	0	6
Briseis Tin, P. Aug. 28	0	0	9

BILLIARDS.

STEVENSON v INMAN.

A CLOSE GAME.

STEVENSON'S POSITION IMPROVED.

The match between H. W. Stevenson and M. Inman, in which the former is conceding the latter 2250 in 9000, was continued yesterday.

There was a good attendance in the afternoon, and the spectators were rewarded by seeing both men perform consistently and up to their reputations. The previous night the game stood:—Inman (in play), 5635; Stevenson, 2064. On resuming Inman carried his overnight couple to 74, and equalled this on his next visit to the table. Stevenson then failed to score, but his second stick was responsible for 128. On several occasions, when a short losing hazard looked the simplest and most natural shot to play, there were enunciated cries of "Leave it!" apparently just escaped the pocket, but these exclamations of regret immediately gave way to expressions of appreciation and amusement as the ball came back off the cushion and remained just what Stevenson had intended it should do. A little later he again got in, this time with 119, made up of pretty, all-round play. Inman twice got into the seventies, on one occasion breaking down at one of his favourite long losers, and he subsequently did the same thing when only three short of a century break. These useful compilations, however, were quite thrown in the shade by Stevenson, who held the spectators enchanted for 17 minutes while he strung together 226. Top-of-the-table play largely predominated in the first two hundred; then getting the balls nicely together each ran out a masterly cannon. Inman was here left in a bad position. His tried hard to get position, but failed. With his opponent's ball in baulk near the right hand cushion, he played for an all-round cannon, but also hard up against the same cushion, and about halfway between the baulk line and the middle pocket. After travelling off four cushions the red bisected the centre spot, but was within a couple of inches of finding the object white. Stevenson was soon in possession again. After obtaining 48 by all-round play he was left with the baulk near the right hand cushion. He played three balls close to the cushion, he played for an all-round cannon through cannon, but the red struck his opponent's ball into the pocket, leaving him with the red in good position, and he scored an additional 96 off it, the game occupying 11 minutes. Inman was disturbed by any means disturbed by his opponent's display, and ran to his points with 82 unfinished, the game being called:—Inman, 6185; Stevenson, 8698. The best breaks were:—

Stevenson: 128, 119, 90, 239, 146.

Inman: 74, 74, 71, 70, 97.

EVENING SESSION.

Inman did not increase his unfinished break of 82, and Stevenson also failed to score on his first visit to the table. A couple of sticks later, however, the champion gave a fine exhibition of the top-of-the-table game, compiling a break of 109, during which he was obviously in his best form. Inman was obviously overcome by the occasion, and he scored only 70 for his first 10 visits to the table. Stevenson, on the other hand, was playing well in the same number of innings, making breaks of 109, 173, 155, and 174. When the game stood Inman 6255 and Stevenson 8189, the latter played ninety by playing on white and then potting red, white against the top cushion. Inman, whose ball was hanging in the jaw of one of the top pockets, played all round the table for a cannon, but missed his ball, leaving the red for the top right-hand pocket. Stevenson played fine on to the red, and placed his ball in baulk, leaving the red against the top cushion. Inman then played to the top left-hand pocket, to which his opponent replied by giving a miss in baulk. Inman then gave another miss. Before the game started the players agreed that neither was to use consecutive misses, but Stevenson claimed the penalty, which was that the balls should be spotted the same as when touching. From this position he scored 155.

Stevenson then took the table Inman found the balls in a comparatively safe position, his own being near the top right-hand corner, while the red and the object white were against the top cushion. He attempted to run through the white into the opposite pocket, but failed in the attempt. He then tried the pocket instead. From this he scored 179, his biggest break of the session. After a short interval Inman scored a break of 163, of which 117 were scored off the red ball, subsequently afterwards Stevenson scored a beautiful 253, which included several fine runs of nursery cannons.

At 10.30 the game was adjourned, although neither player had reached his points, Inman being 90 behind and Stevenson 177.

The scores stand: Inman (receives 2250), 6080; Stevenson (to play), 8823.

The best breaks were:—

Stevenson: 109, 173, 155, 174, and 253.

Inman: 179 and 163 (117 off the red ball).

MARKERS' TOURNAMENT.

The billiard markers' tournament was continued last night at Messrs. Heirons and Smith's billiard showrooms, 214 Castlereagh-street, with the following results:—A. Riches (rec. 200) beat M. M'Deed (rec. 300) by 100; W. J. Smith (rec. 275) beat 'Alwood (rec. 185) by 90. The games for to-night are as follow:—W. G. (rec. 265) v 'Bonzalline (rec. 250); R. Birkett (scr) v G. Bonti (rec. 255).

TATTERSALL'S TOURNAMENT.

The following beats were played in connection with Tattersall's tournament last night:—W. Hicks (rec. 120) beat Smoker (rec. 120) by 73; A. W. Eales (rec. 45) beat Pool (rec. 70) by 18. The best for to-night is:—Civic (rec. 100) v Hollow (rec. 140).

SHIRE COUNCILS.

LISMORE.—At the Gundurimba council meeting on Wednesday, the valuators' report was considered. It stated that the total area was 106,616 acres. The unimproved value was £477,880, improved value, £963,340; annual rental value, £46,915. At the proposed rate of 1½d in the £, this will produce a revenue of £2986, which, with the subsidy, special grants, and estimated licenses, will provide a revenue of £6082. The estimated requirements for works and services show office and salaries, £600; maintenance of roads, bridges, punts, wharves, £2350; construction of new works, £2702. The figures show an increase of nearly £1500. The valuator's report shows nearly 11,600 acres still unaccounted for, even on the Works Department amended estimate of the shire area.

NATTAI.—At the last meeting of the council a communication was received from Mowra Municipal Council asking for co-operation in petitioning the Government to bring in a bill to make compulsory the anti-tuberculin vaccination of cattle. Some of the councillors spoke in condemnation of the vaccination treatment, and the council declined to co-operate. It was also decided not to co-operate with Walgett council in asking that the slaughtering license fee be reduced to 5s; and with Tamarang Shire Council in asking for the amendment of the Act to give councils power to have stock impounded off the roads, and also power to control all camping and water reserves and travelling stock routes. The council resolved to expend the special Government grant of £220 for expenditure on the Wombeyan Caves-road on the condition that the shire also expended £180 of its own funds on the road. The tender of Messrs. Loseby and M'Donald, £888, was accepted for the completion of the deviation at Pearson's Hill, road Bowral to Robertson. Contracts amounting to about £1000 are now being carried out.

THE CIVIL AMBULANCE.

At last night's meeting of the Civil Ambulance Corps, most satisfactory reports were submitted, showing increased demand on its services during last month. 262 cases were attended, and the vehicles travelled 1295 miles. The results of the matinee ball were most satisfactory. Mr. Archibald Forsyth and Mrs. Forsyth, of Randwick, had forwarded a cheque for £150, to build an additional horse ambulance, and promised to give a house and harness. An anonymous donor has forwarded a cheque for £40 for the purchase of an additional horse.

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

The following scratchings were recorded yesterday at the office of the A.J.C.:—Derby: Blargeroo, Hi-Spy-Hi, Caveau, Boneen, and Lady Amherst. Gimcrack Stakes and Breeders' Plate: True Blue—Apsley filly. St. Leger: Blargeroo.

Narromine Turf Club race meeting, to be held on August 21, has been granted registration by the A.J.C.

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ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

THE LIBERAL PARTY AND TAXATION.

By way of helping on the cause of Liberalism and Reform a leaflet has been issued by the central executive showing in concise language what the Government has done in the direction of lessening the burden of taxation. The facts are set forth in the following form:—

The Liberal Government has a cash surplus of £1,471,344 for the year ended, or £2,626,500 for the past three years.

Having more revenue than it required, it has reduced railway freights, country passenger fares, season, monthly, and workmen's tickets. It has abolished the school fees. It proposes to abolish the income tax on incomes earned by personal exertion, stamp duties on receipts, cheques, bills of exchange, promissory notes, and tolls on ferries. Total, £750,000 per annum.

These reductions are in favour of producers and workers. The earnings of capital are excluded.

Of the balance £410,000 goes to the Public Works fund to pay for works formerly constructed out of loan money, while the deficiency left by previous Governments is further reduced.

Another leaflet says:—1. Every person in New South Wales pays £3 0s 8d in taxes. That is untrue. State taxation is only 16s per head, the balance is Federal taxation. Over the latter the State has no control. It was put on the backs of workers by the votes of Mr. J. C. Watson and other alleged champions of labour.

2. A shop assistant, married, with five children, is mentioned, together with the lie that the Liberal party consider that this man should still pay his £3 a year. The Deakin Government, that the Labour party is always apologising for, keeps on £2 4s of it, against the wishes of Liberals.

3. The incomes of persons with £20 per week and upwards are mentioned as being relieved of income tax. This is untrue, as only incomes from personal exertion are to be exempt.

4. The Liberal Premier is quoted as refusing a reduction in workmen's tickets. The reduction in workmen's tickets came into force on July 1, 1907.

5. It is further stated that the Liberal party only last session extended the land tax to small estates under £100 in value, and that by this the man who is buying or has managed to buy a bit of a cottage worth £100 is taxed £1 10s a year. This is another lie. No such measure was even brought before the House. What the Government did was to give the municipalities power to put the local rates on land values only, so as to exempt the workman's cottage.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Sir James Graham will contest the Surry Hills seat in the Liberal interest, and in opposition to Mr. J. E. Birt, the Labour candidate. Mr. J. Garland has consented to make an attempt to win the seat for Phillip for the Liberal party from Mr. P. H. Sullivan, who holds it in the Labour interest.

An official inquiry has been made by the central executive of the Liberal and Reform Association into the circumstances connected with the selection of Mr. James as the Liberal candidate for the Goulburn seat. Mr. T. Rose, who did not submit his name in time, demanded that a ballot should be taken, but strong objection was raised to this demand, on the ground that much delay would be involved, and further that there was no justification for calling upon the Goulburn association to do over again the work which had already been done in due order and in good faith. It was also objected that in the circumstances a ballot was likely to degenerate into a mere vote-packing competition, which the Goulburn delegates obviously participate in. The committee of the inquiry reported that "the selection that has taken place—like many others—may not have been upon a perfectly ideal basis, but all the steps taken in connection with it appear to have been perfectly honest and aboveboard, and the method adopted has this merit, that it puts up to the eleventh hour it appears to have been generally acquiesced in by branches. To set it aside at this juncture would be, we fear, to make confusion worse confounded, and work such damage to the Liberal party in Goulburn as would be very hard to repair. The situation is an unsatisfactory one, but the endorsement of the candidature of Mr. James, in our judgment, is in the interests of the party, and the best course to follow." The central executive adopted the report.

Miss Cameron, of the organising staff of the Liberal and Reform Association, is actively at work in the Burrangong electorate in the interest of Mr. H. R. M'William, the selected Liberal candidate. One of her meetings, held in the Town Hall at Young on Tuesday night, was attended by some 500 persons, and an address lasting one hour and a half was followed with close attention. The only dissenting note was struck when Miss Cameron's emphatic "No" to a question whether she had ever taken a ticket in Tattersall's was described as a lie. The audience was quick to side with Miss Cameron, and to resent the bad manners of her uncouth opponent. The meeting has arranged to give an address at Frampton, which is the only district in the Young seat not yet visited by Miss Cameron. It is at present holds the Burrangong seat in the Labour interest, has arranged to open his campaign to-morrow. He will have the assistance of Mr. Nielsen, the Labour member for one of Mr. Nielsen, the Labour member for Gwydir. These hundred names have been added to the supplementary roll in the electorate.

Mrs. Bethels has submitted to the Lithgow branch of the Political Labour League a report of her organising work in the Hartley electorate. She canvassed and held meetings at Medlow Bath, Blackheath, Katoomba, Lithgow, Wallerawang, and Portland, and formed strong women's election committees at Katoomba, Lithgow, and Portland. The secretary reported that Mr. Dooley had addressed successful meetings at Portland, Rylstone, Wolgan, and The Gorge last week, and was that day addressing two meetings, one at Lithgow and the other at Hampton.

A large gathering of women electors was held on Wednesday afternoon in the grounds of Logan Brae, Edgecliff-road, Woollahra, the residence of Captain Cox. Mrs. R. G. Watkins (Mayoress of Waverley) presided. Lieutenant-Colonel Onslow briefly addressed the meeting, and fully explained his reasons for contesting the seat. Mr. Clive Teece and Alderman Magney also addressed the meeting. A vote of confidence was carried unanimously, and those present formed themselves into a committee to secure Lieutenant-Colonel Onslow's return.

A large meeting of the friends and supporters of Mr. Daniel Levy, the selected Liberal candidate for Darlinghurst, met in the St. John's School-room on Wednesday evening for the purpose of forming a committee to secure his return. The candidate having addressed the gathering, Alderman Allen Taylor, who presided, was elected chairman of committees, and Mr. J. A. Carroll hon. secretary. A general and an executive committee were formed, and a plan of campaign adopted.

Temperance workers in the Clarence electorate are actively engaged in making converts to their cause, and have had many names added to the electoral roll. The services of Mr. J. Campbell, organising secretary of the Queensland Alliance, have been secured, and he, with Mr. J. Tandy, will deliver addresses in favour of "no-license."

The ranks of the Liberal and Reform Association at Parramatta have now been closed up, after the sharp selection campaign, and the supporters of the Liberal movement are now working harmoniously in order to secure the return of Mr. Mosham, the selected candidate. Mr. Moxham has formed strong working committees in the various centres of the electorate, and his prospects of being returned are bright.

"What has our member done for us?" One of Mr. J. H. Young's constituents in the Gloucester electorate, who apparently pins his faith to the "roads and bridges" member, complains that Mr. Young did practically nothing for the electorate until, when election time drew near, "he sent an old grab dredge here, instead of the first-class sand pump we should have had, which is causing more expense than it is doing good."

Miss M. Hall addressed a large meeting in the Queanbeyan Temperance Hall on Saturday night on behalf of the Labour candidate, Mr. G. D. Clark, and at the conclusion of the address, which mainly supported and explained the plans as advocated by the Labour party, a vote of thanks, moved by Mr. H. J. S. Hungerford, was carried by acclamation.

The Premier will address a women's meeting at the Parish Hall, Forest-road, Hurstville, this afternoon. He leaves on Sunday to address a series of meetings in the country.

BEFORE THE ELECTORS.

ALBURY.

Mr. M'Gowen, M.L.A., leader of the Opposition, addressed a public meeting on Tuesday in the interests of Mr. H. G. Davies, a candidate who will contest Albury against the sitting member. Mr. M'Gowen, who met with a good reception, claimed that the Labour movement had been instrumental in effecting many valuable reforms. It had encountered strenuous opposition, but the principles on which it was founded, and which it had ever advocated, had so far prevailed in New South Wales as to secure for that State the purest government in the world. The party, unlike all other political organisations, boasted a continuous policy. He criticised the Ministry, who, he said, were humbugging the electors. The Premier took credit for good seasons and surpluses, but, as a matter of fact, Mr. E. W. O'Sullivan was the man entitled to credit for having in drought time boldly faced a heavy loss on the railway revenue in order to save the man on the land. Mr. M'Gowen referred to the Ministerial proposals for amending the Old Age Pensions Act. Mr. Carruthers had said the bill was not retrospective, and would not affect any present pensioners; but was such a statement correct? Under section 5 of the bill 50 per cent. of the pensions would be struck off the list. The residence period was extended from 25 years to 35, and the property and earnings conditions altered. The Ministry had changed the last Government with ruining the country, and said that English moneylenders had lost confidence in Australia. Yet now they claimed a condition of prosperity and restoration of confidence, though not one item of Labour legislation had been repealed. Mr. M'Gowen concluded his address by an eloquent appeal to the electors to help the Labour party by electing Mr. Davies, and a vote of confidence in Mr. Davies was carried unanimously.

ALEXANDRIA.

Mr. Albert Brunnell, M.L.A., held a successful meeting in the Waterloo Town Hall on Monday night, when he addressed a crowded audience for two hours. The candidate was frequently applauded, and old Liberals declare it was the best meeting for their party they had seen in Waterloo. Mr. Brunnell is meeting with encouragement, and is devoting his time to a personal canvass of the electorate.

BOTANY.

Mr. Spackman, the selected Liberal candidate, addressed a meeting of the electors in the North Botany Town Hall on Monday evening. It was Mr. Spackman's opening address, and the meeting, which was presided over by Alderman J. Laycock, was largely attended.

Mr. Spackman said he had no objection to the Labour party occupying the Treasury benches so long as the people desired it, but what he did object to was the Labour party occupying an irresponsible position, and dictating to another section of the House. The Carruthers Government had proved true to its pledges, for it had restored sound government, and, at the same time, had proved itself a true friend of the working man. It had not started relief works, as the previous Government had done, but it gave encouragement to private enterprise. The huge iron industry at Lithgow was started on the understanding that the Government would pledge itself to take steel rails for the next seven years, if the company established a blast furnace. Dealing with recent legislation, which placed restriction on the gambling evil, Mr. Spackman said that the New South Wales Sport Bring League was urging those who were opposed to the Anti-gambling Act to vote for Labour candidates by way of punishing the Carruthers Government, but a reference to "Hansard" would show that members of the Labour party were just as severe as members of the Government in their denunciation of the gambling evil. Messrs. M'Gowen, Thrower, Jones, Gardiner, and M'Garry had each expressed a wish in the House that gambling should be wiped out entirely. Dealing with the Liquor Act, Mr. Spackman said it was one of the best measures ever passed into legislation. Figures published by the Inspector-General of Police showed that there were 1935 fewer arrests for drunkenness during 1906 than in the previous year. In answer to a question, Mr. Spackman said the statement that the Carruthers Government had increased taxation to £3 10s 8d was not correct. The taxation levied by the State was 16s per head, the balance, £2 14s 8d, being levied by the Commonwealth.

Mr. F. E. Winchcombe and others also addressed the meeting.

NEWTOWN.

Mr. H. T. Morgan (Mayor of Newtown) opened his campaign on Monday evening as the selected Liberal candidate. The chair was occupied by Alderman John Sommerlad.

Mr. Morgan traced the political history of the State for a number of years, with the object of proving that before the present Government took office, general prosperity was at a very low ebb, but after the advent of the Carruthers Ministry, matters began to improve, confidence was restored, and now the State was more prosperous than ever. (Applause.) Without doubt, the present Ministry was the best New South Wales ever had. (Applause.) As to the future policy of the Ministry, promises had been made for reduction of taxation in various ways. The tax on incomes from personal exertions was to be remitted. This was just. He approved of a tax on the earnings from real estate returns, and dividends. Many of the stamp duties would also be remitted. The placing of the Public lands of the State under a commission was a proposal worthy of support, as was also the proposal to give old-age pensions to persons 60 years of age, if unable to earn a living. He trusted the Government would carry out its proposal to reduce the House to 50 members. In answer to questions, Mr. Morgan said he was in favour of land nationalisation, but he was strongly in favour of immigration. It was absolutely necessary for the protection of the Commonwealth that more people should come out to Australia.

Mr. James Pallick, M.L.A., warmly supported the candidature of Mr. Morgan. He said Newtown in former years was not a Labour seat, and he trusted the people at the coming election would rectify matters in this respect. (Applause.)

LIVERPOOL PLAINS.

Mr. Horne, selected Labour candidate, held a meeting at Quirindi last week. He condemned the Carruthers Government for its attitude towards the inquiry into the administration of the lands Department, and for its attitude to Mr. Chas. Oliver, who had been a faithful servant of the State. He spoke strongly in favour of a progressive land tax as the most equitable means of getting closer settlement. He mentioned that he had paid £4 on a 6d valuation, but that the Government wanted to resume it the price jumped to £6. He pointed out, how Quirindi was hemmed in by large estates until its further progress was blocked. They had enough land of the very best quality around Quirindi to find homes for thousands of sturdy yeomen, but he did not believe that land would decline in value in consequence of a progressive land tax; he felt sure it would rise, and closer settlement of the best kind would result. He referred at length to the Farmers' and Settlers' Association, particularly to its first president. He considered Mr. Perry had got away completely from his convictions of old, and the friend of the free selectors of the early years was now a stanch adherent of the squatters. He spoke of the hostility shown to the Labour party by the association, which was now an adjunct of the Liberal and Reform party. He concluded with an appeal to the electors to study the aims of the Labour party a little more closely. Mr. Horne was asked if he was in favour of the new Liquor Act. He replied that it was a very vexed question, and might be approved of partly, but when it came to local option and reduction of hotels without compensation he considered it was going too far. Such a course would mean a far more serious state of affairs than at present. He preferred the limitation of the drink traffic without prohibition, and if necessary to grant compensation in cases of a deserving nature. Mr. Horne was asked if he was in favour of the Gambling Act. He said he was of opinion that men should be allowed to have their little wagers on a horse or a dog. He admitted the Act had done a vast amount of good in stopping the tote-shops in Sydney.

A vote of confidence was declared by the Mayor, who presided, to be carried unanimously.

NEWCASTLE.

Mr. Owen Gilbert, selected Liberal candidate, opened his campaign at Newcastle on Wednesday night. The meeting was well attended, and was presided over by Dr. J. Beaton.

The candidate, who spoke from the balcony of the Criterion Hotel, stated that the issue before the electors was a very simple one, and resolved itself into a question of whether the people would have the Government or the Opposition. They had to remember that when the present Government took office a period of depression was sweeping over the country. As soon as Mr. Carruthers came into power there was a return of confidence and rehabilitation of the credit of the State, and indications of all-round prosperity. Touching on social legislation, Mr. Gilbert said he approved of both the Liquor and the Betting Acts, and would hold to these Acts in their entirety, as passed by the Government. The Liquor Act had taken the settlement of the liquor question out of the hands of politicians, and placed it in the hands of the people. He favoured the amalgamation of the Savings Banks, and considered much good would be forthcoming from the State Bank Act, which afforded relief to settlers. The good work done in the past by the Government was a guarantee that the promises would be fulfilled, and the interest shown by the Premier in the affairs of Newcastle was also a guarantee that the Government would do its utmost in the interest of the development of the port. Mr. Gilbert was warmly applauded, and a vote of confidence in him was carried.

ST. LEONARDS.

Alderman H. E. M'Intosh delivered an address to the electors of Blue's Point on Monday. There was a very large attendance of electors, presided over by Mr. Alderman Watt. The candidate dealt with the legislation passed by the Carruthers Government, and pointed out the benefits to be derived from the various Acts, including the Liquor Reform Act and others. He advocated a local children's court, removal of the foreshore hoardings, allowing the occupants of suburban shops to sell necessaries after 6 o'clock, and providing for different hours in hairdressers' shops in the electorate. The Blue's Point tramway and bridge were advocated. The candidate expressed himself in favour of non-payment or members, and a deposit of £25 to be made by all candidates, and a second ballot. A vote of confidence was carried.

CAMPERDOWN.

Mr. R. J. Stuart-Robertson, selected Labour candidate, addressed a meeting of some 400 electors at the Avenue on Monday evening. Mr. J. M'Guire acted as chairman. The candidate said he was opposed to an immigration policy which aimed at bringing people to this State quite regardless of the extent to which the immigrants could be absorbed. Some of the new arrivals had been provided with casual labour on the railways, while men born and bred in the State, who would have eagerly taken the work, were left to look on. He contended that it was only through the medium of a proper system of land settlement that immigrants should be attracted here. Mr. Stuart-Robertson said he objected to the proposed abolition of the State Arbitration Court in favour of a system of Wages Boards. The Wages Board system had a tendency to play into the hands of the employer, whereas the Arbitration Court could be made fair to both parties and effective. On Wednesday evening Mr. Stuart-Robertson addressed a meeting at the corner of Campbell and Church streets, and dealt mainly with the system of free education advocated by the Labour party—a system which he warmly supported. At each meeting a vote of confidence in the candidate was carried.

GORDON.

Mr. C. G. Wade addressed a meeting on Wednesday at the Church-hall, Forsyth-street, Willoughby. Mr. R. H. Gordon presided.

The candidate said that the Labour party in a circulated leaflet set out that the salvation of the country was bound up in a land policy that would settle the people on the land. On that point the Government was in agreement, and it had been the policy of the Government to throw open lands to those desiring to settle. But what had the Labour party done in that direction during the 17 years it had been in existence? It claimed to have dominated previous Governments, yet no steps had at any time been taken to do anything to settle people on the land. Despite great opposition the Government had been enabled to acquire three estates and large areas, upon which 320 new families had been settled. (Applause.) This action had been productive of the best results. In addition to that the Government had been able to let out the Crown lands of the State, and a great deal more than one million of acres had in this way been disposed of, and more than 5000 new families settled.

Having dealt with a number of local matters he was accorded a unanimous vote of confidence.

BLAYNEY.

Mr. Withington, selected Liberal candidate, addressed a well-attended meeting of electors at Oberon on Monday night. He had an excellent reception, and received a vote of thanks.

WOLLONDILLY.

Mr. L. Green, Labour candidate, addressed a meeting of electors in the School of Arts, Robertson, on Saturday night, and received a vote of thanks.

WYNYARD.

Senator Lynch (Western Australia) addressed a large meeting at Gundagai on Monday evening in support of the candidature of Mr. P. Sullivan, Labour candidate. He also addressed a meeting at Adelong on Saturday night. Mr. R. Donaldson, the sitting member for Wynyard, is meeting with good receptions everywhere. He addressed a large meeting at Grahamstown on Saturday night. Mr. Sullivan, who has been on the sick list for the past fortnight, starts his campaign next week.

Mr. R. Donaldson, sitting member for Wynyard, spoke at Gundagai on Tuesday evening to a crowded audience. He dealt severely with the Labour party, and promised to give a general support to Mr. Carruthers on the policy outlined by the Premier. He denied that he was standing as an independent candidate; for one thing he abhorred was the independent member, who flitted from one side of the House to the other. A vote of confidence was carried almost unanimously.

WAVERLEY.

Lieutenant-Colonel Onslow addressed a crowded meeting on Tuesday night in the Congregational Church school-hall, Wilson's Bay. Mr. R. T. Parry presided. Colonel Bay. Mr. R. T. Parry presided. Colonel Onslow delivered a brief address, in which he fully explained his reason for contesting the election. He would support the present Government if elected. Dr. Read moved and Mr. Ralph Robinson seconded a vote of confidence, which was unanimously carried by Alderman Heyde, and carried unanimously.

LEICHHARDT.

The selected Liberal candidate, Mr. Robert Booth, addressed two meetings last week, both of which were well attended.

He claimed that the record of the present Parliament was unapproached by any previous Parliament for useful and important legislation. He commented upon the Liberal programme for the new Parliament, and assured his hearers that he would attend to his duties in the same assiduous manner as he had done in the past. A motion of confidence was carried at each meeting.

Mr. J. Hawthorne (Independent) addressed well-attended meetings on Saturday and Monday evenings, and received votes of confidence. He expressed himself in favour of the immigration of men of the right type who would be better prepared to settle on our vacant lands. He opposed the remission of the tax on incomes from personal exertion. Water conservation, closer settlement, irrigation, and railway and tramway extension were in turn referred to as matters which the candidate regarded with favour.

MURRUMBIDGEE.

Mr. P. M'Garry, Labour candidate, accompanied by Mr. J. H. Catts, arrived at Narrandera on Tuesday, and addressed a very largely-attended meeting of electors. The Mayor, Alderman Elwin, acted as chairman. The candidate gave an account of his stewardship, and claimed to have done everything in his power for the electorate. Mr. Dunn spoke at length in defence of the Labour party, and a unanimous vote of confidence was carried.

Mr. M'Gowen, leader of the Opposition, and Mr. J. H. Cann, attended Mr. M'Garry's meeting at Wagga on Monday night, and delivered addresses in support of the Labour candidate. Mr. J. F. O'Regan, president of the Wagga branch of the Political Labour League, acted as chairman. Mr. M'Garry, touching upon the question of the conversion of homestead selections to freehold title, said that every candidate should explain what he meant by conversion. Curiously enough, he omitted himself to explain the Labour party's proposals. He opposed the Local Option provisions of the Liquor Act. Messrs. Cann and M'Gowen spoke strongly in favour of the caucus pledge methods, and aims of the Labour party, after which a vote of confidence in Mr. M'Garry was carried, followed by cheers for the labour cause.

GOULBURN.

Addressing a woman's meeting, Alderman Holloway, the selected Labour candidate, said he thought the residential clause of the Old-age Pensions Act should be swept away. He was opposed to punishing the owner of an hotel when the tribunal of the law, which he did not favour the closing of hotels on election days in winter. He favoured prohibition rather than the reduction of licenses. Clubs should be brought under the same regulations as hotels. The Anti-gambling Bill was a beneficial piece of legislation, but it would have been better had the Labour party legalised the totalisator than to have allowed betting under the auspices of the A.J.C.

DARLING.

Mr. J. C. Meehan, selected Labour candidate, opened his campaign in Tobin's Hall, Double Bay, on Tuesday night. The Mayor presided. Mr. Meehan delivered a lengthy address. He criticised the Carruthers Government, and charged Ministers with having stolen the Labour platform with slight alteration. He defended the Labour party, stating it was responsible for the best laws passed. He strongly opposed the proposed abolition of the Arbitration Court, and was strongly against the reduction of members in the Legislative Assembly, but he considered the Legislative Council should be wiped out of existence. He condemned the Government for not having the country electoral rolls collected earlier, and considered the delay was prompted by a desire to defeat the Labour party. The Labour party was fighting the elections as the direct Opposition, and were willing to take over the Government of the country if returned in sufficient strength. A vote of confidence, proposed by Mr. T. White and seconded by Mr. A. Andrews, was carried.

SHERBROOKE.

Mr. Prior, the Labour candidate, addressed a meeting in the Galston Hall on Monday. He explained the aims and objects of the Labour movement, and criticised severely the attitude of the Government in connection with the land scandals. A vote of thanks to the speaker and to the chairman concluded the meeting.

RALEIGH.

Mr. John M'Laughlin, selected Liberal candidate, addressed a large meeting in the Coff's Harbour School of Arts on Saturday night. Mr. E. C. Roberts presided. The candidate, who was well received, spoke on the good work accomplished by the Carruthers Government, promised to support the policy enunciated by the Premier in his Kogarah speech, and mentioned in eulogistic terms the firm stand taken by the Government regarding the North Coast railway. A vote of confidence in the candidate was carried.

Mr. Briner, Progressive candidate, held a large meeting at Macksville on Wednesday night. His speech was mainly a recapitulation of his Parliamentary actions. He explained his refusal to join the coalition of his party with the Government. His party wanted to have a say in the Government policy. He believed Mr. Carruthers was the best man in the State at present, and would support him if straight going, and if he pushed on rapidly with the North Coast railway. He opposed the Local Government Act, and proposed a referendum on the Liquor Act. He approved of the Liquor Act, but the police had undue power to harass people under it. He promised to endeavour to abolish party government, and to restrict the length and number of speeches. He could not join the Labour party, but he sympathised with a number of its aims. A vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Briner.

Mr. John M'Laughlin addressed a large meeting of electors at Bellingen on Wednesday night. Mr. John Smith acted as chairman. Mr. M'Laughlin eulogised the Government administration, and paid a high tribute to the Premier's attitude in defence of State rights for New South Wales in connection with the Federal capital site and other matters. It was his intention to support the Government proposals as indicated by the Premier in his Kogarah speech. A vote of confidence was carried in the candidate.

SINGLETON.

The campaign in the Singleton electorate has been opened by the selected Labour candidate, Mr. W. J. Johnson, who unsuccessfully contested the last Federal election for the Robertson electorate. Mr. Johnson addressed a large meeting in the Mechanics' Institute, Alderman M'Fadden presiding. After an exhaustive explanation of the Labour party's platform, a resolution was carried that Mr. Johnson was a fit and proper person to represent the electorate in the Legislative Assembly. Mrs. Bethel, an organiser for the party, delivered an address in support of Mr. Johnson's candidature.

YASS.

Mr. Grogan, selected Liberal candidate, addressed a well-attended meeting at Boorowa on Wednesday night, and dealt exhaustively with the work accomplished by the present Government. He also showed what were the ideas of Mr. Nielson and the Labour party with regard to land tenure. The address was listened to with close attention.

A Military Parade at Victoria Barracks and a Naval Parade at Government House grounds are both illustrated and described in the current issue of the "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

NEWCASTLE.

RECORD COAL OUTPUT.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

Those connected with the coal trade are experiencing a prosperous time, and every effort is being made by the different mines in the district to increase their output in order to fill orders promptly and get the fleet of sailing vessels now filling the harbour away to their various destinations with as little delay as possible. Work all through the month of July was extremely heavy, and on securing the totals of coal exported beyond the State it was not surprising to find that a record had been established for the port. Altogether 481,343 tons was despatched, and this is something like 100,000 tons more than that shipped for the same month last year. During the month other States and New Zealand took 236,800 tons.

NEWCASTLE HISTRIONIC SOCIETY.

The Newcastle Histrionic Society, which includes among its members many talented ladies and gentlemen, produced the four-act comedy "The Pickpocket" at the Victoria Theatre last night. The theatre was crowded, and the members of the company, who have now produced several important pieces and have a thorough acquaintance with the amateur stage, acquitted themselves with credit, and their efforts were warmly applauded. The comedy was produced under the direction of Mr. Horace Hannell, who sustained the leading character.

THE INFLUENCE OF HOTELKEEPERS.

A meeting of Carrington hotelkeepers was held at Drummond's Hotel this afternoon, and in the course of an address Mr. John Ashton (organiser for the union) impressed upon his hearers the importance of concentrating the whole of their attention upon the local option question, and the necessity of educating their customers how to vote. He said:—"Don't trouble about the various candidates. They are waiting to see how the cat jumps. Whether they get into Parliament or remain outside, we must show them our colossal power and influence; they are as putty in the hands of the people."

CUSTOMS-HOUSE RETURNS.

The revenue collected at the Customs-house for the month of July was as follows:—Harbour and light rates, £1482; pilotage, £1862 16s 2d; removals, £862 5s; duty and excise, £13,110 15s 2d; ad valorem, £3595 10s 2d; miscellaneous, £199 12s. Total, £21,103 18s 6d.

A SHIPWRECK HOAX.

From information gathered by the police concerning the message found on Merewether beach intimating that the barque Werra had been lost on Tonga Island and six of the crew drowned, they are convinced that some boys perpetrated a hoax to mislead people. Captain Kosta, of the German barque Anna, which reached port on the 24th ult., informed the police that on arriving here he received a letter from Germany in which it was stated that the Werra was safe at Bremen. On June 22 last she was chartered to proceed to England and then sail for South America, after which she was to visit Newcastle to load coal.

COAL AND OTHER EXPORTS.

The following vessels cleared at the Customs-house to-day:—Brizeaux, bq. for Porcland, with 2958 tons coal; Aldenham, s. for Manila, Hongkong, and Japan, via Sydney and ports, with 750 tons bunker coal and 2365 hardwood sleepers; Komuna, s. for Melbourne, with 3400 tons coal; Sydney, s. for Adelaide, with 2180 tons coal and 1000 cases biscuits; Wimmera, s. for Melbourne, with 1740 tons coal; Wimmera, s. for Wellington, via Sydney, with 1200 tons bunker coal, 158 ingots copper, and quantity timber; Mareeba, s. for Rockhampton, via Sydney and Brisbane; Ashridge, s. for Melbourne, with 4700 tons coal.

AMUSEMENTS.

ENTERTAINMENT AT THE PALACE.

The Palace Theatre presented an unusually bright and animated appearance last night, when an entertainment was given in aid of funds for the District Nurses' Home. The house was crowded with a fashionable audience, including His Excellency the Governor and Miss Hawson, attended by Mr. Harrison Smith and Captain Clark, A.D.C., Lady Darley, the Misses Darley, General Sir Edward and Miss Hutton, Sir Francis and Lady Hutton, and Mrs. Napier, Lady Barton, Sir Francis and Lady Suttor, and many other well-known people. The vice-regal party were received by Dr. Wilkinson, Mr. Baden, Mr. Salisbury, Lady Suttor, Lady Stephen, Miss Walker, Miss Dibbs, Miss Farran, and Miss Le Patourel. The programme included some excellent music, under the direction of Mr. Richard and Dr. Todd, and the orchestra rendered during the interval the "Mazurka" of Elgar's, "La Mascota," Eilenberg; Schubert's "Serenade," a "Hungarian Dance," No. 5, Mullen; Schubert's minuet, and "Blessed Be Day," by Sullivan. There was a bright and amusing duologue, entitled "A Breezy Morning," Captain Leslie Wilson took the part of Mr. Goldie, and Miss Doris Blomfield that of Mrs. Goldie.

The first act was concluded with a tableau entitled "Tableaux Vivants" arranged by Miss Edith Walker and Miss Connett Stephen, assisted by Miss Emma Temple, formed one of the chief attractions of the evening, and many of the representations were admirable pictures portrayed by a number of amateurs. The stage was arranged as a studio, showing two large gold picture frames, over the front of which fell heavy curtains. The curtains were raised, and the first picture was seen and then the other, and the effect of the enclosed living pictures was something new for Sydney, and proved charming. The first picture shown was "Cleopatra," Miss Blessed Day represented by Miss Irene Marks, the attendant angels being the Misses Bowker and Vera Moore. Then followed "The Pounding" (Blair Leighton), by Mrs. Neville Dangar and Miss Ethel Richardson, "Lady Jane in the Tower" (Millais) were charmingly carried out by Masters Geoffrey Rodd and Belisario. "Lady Hamilton at her Spinning Wheel" (Rosney) delightfully portrayed by Miss Ida Anderson, and "Lady Godiva" by Miss Violet Walte. "Her First and Second Sermon" (Millais) was very prettily represented by little Miss Nona Wilshire. "Love or Country" (Marcus Stone) was rendered by Miss Doris Duncan and Mr. Ainsli Ross. "Madame Le Brun and Child" was excellently rendered by Mrs. E. P. Simpson and her little daughter Helen. "The Sea hath its Pearls" formed a charming picture, and was represented by Miss Pearl Faithfull. Morland's well-known picture, "Delia in the Country," was well depicted by Miss Le Patourel. "The First Kiss of Love" (Mr. Leighton) was carried out by Miss Connie Simpson and Mr. Tremayne Redd; and "The Girl with the Doves," by Miss Phyllis Pockley. As "Joan of Arc" Miss Yolande Riddell looked well as a shining armour. Watt's picture of "Hope" was beautifully carried out in shades of misty blue by Miss Macnamara; and Rossetti's "Beata Beatrix" represented by Miss Helen Austin, was also considered one of the most successful pictures. Miss Barbara Knox was an excellent representation of Reynolds' picture of Mrs. Scott Siddons as the "Tragic Muse." Miss Morgan Martin, in the "Broken Pitcher," by Greuze, looked very charming. Very handsome, too, was Miss Elsie Anderson in "The Reconciliation" portrayed with Mr. Roy King. A charming representation of "Schweppe's" soda water advertisement, for which the manager gave £5 as the funds of the Nurses' Home, depicted Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Watt, and brought this portion of the programme to a conclusion. Sir Francis Suttor, on behalf of the District Nursing Association, thanked all those who were present for attending. The association was one deserving of every encouragement. Through the proceeds of the entertainment two extra nurses would now be available for a whole year. Sir Francis also thanked those "behind the scenes" and everyone who had given their time and energy and assistance in making the entertainment the success it was. No such tableaux had ever been seen in Sydney before. (Loud applause.)

The programme was brought to a conclusion with the artistically farcical comedy, "Become with an E," in which Mrs. Walter Allen, Miss Elsie Austin, Miss Doris Blomfield, Captain Wilson, Mr. Leonard Stephen, and Mr. C. Stephen took part and were warmly applauded. The ladies received many bouquets and had sets of flowers. During the evening a number of young ladies sold programmes, sweets, and flowers. As many as 800 tickets were sold at 7s 6d each before the box plan opened, the hon. secretaries for the ticket committee), Miss Barton and Miss Le Patourel, hone to hand over a substantial sum in aid of the Nurses' Home to Miss Emily Farran (hon. secretary) and Mr. C. W. Gaden (hon. treasurer of the District Nursing Association).

THEATRICAL "LAST NIGHTS."

This evening the final performance of "Dorothy," which is drawing crowded houses, will be given at Her Majesty's Theatre, as to-morrow night Mr. J. C. Williamson will elaborately revive "La Mascotte," which has not been staged for 12 years.

Miss Maud Hildyard and the artists of Messrs. Mernell and Gunn's Dramatic Company at the Theatre Royal will make their final appearance as "The Beautiful Fiend" to-night. To-morrow the new play, "Early Great Awakening," will be produced for the first time in Australia.

The seventy-second performance of "The Squatter's Daughter" at the Criterion this evening will be signalised by the presentation of a handsome illustrated souvenir to every visitor, and in this way Mr. Wm. Anderson has provided a memento of the longest dramatic "run" for 20 years. On Saturday the Willoughby-Ward Company will open in "Mr. Hopkinson."

THE ARRAL OPERATIC CONCERTS.

Mme. Blanche Arral will open a brief return season at the Town Hall to-morrow night with a renewal of the operatic recitals in costume, and with full orchestra, which she made so popular last year. Already many seats, both reserved and unreserved, for the reappearance of the brilliant French soprano, have been secured at Aengenheyster's.

SIGNOR STRUMILLO.

Signor Strumillo, who has been favourably known in Sydney for some years as a leading mandolinist, sailed with Signora Strumillo by the Omrah for Italy on Saturday last. Signor Strumillo, after a brief holiday, will journey on to London, where an engagement awaits him.

MASONIC VISITORS AT THE LYCEUM.

A complimentary theatre night was arranged at the Lyceum last evening in honour of the United Grand Masonic Lodges of the Commonwealth. The visitors from Victoria, Tasmania, and Queensland occupied the whole of the dress circle and boxes, and the many beautiful pictures submitted by Mr. T. J. West in an especially fine programme were warmly appreciated.

"The World's Greatest Horse Show" is a capital article in this week's issue of the "Sydney Mail." It describes from an Australian point of view the recent horse show at Olympia.—Advt.

THE COMING OF ISOBEL.

BY HELEN WALLACE.

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CHAPTER IV.
THE HOME-COMING.

To his last conscious breath Basil Conyers would remember that moment, and the wild night drive which followed. Even as he had stumbled down the rough track, with his light burden—pitifully light—in his arms, he had swiftly debated on his wisest course. He needed shelter, warmth, every care, and yet, to take her back to the scanty comfort of the village inn, seemed a doubtful proceeding. It would be better to push on to Duncaird, or why not risk the remaining distance and take her home! And the thought of what that home-coming would mean made the young man's usually cool, equable brain wellnigh swim. He was intoxicated by his amazing, his impossible, triumph. Even the stolid driver caught fire from Basil's suppressed excitement, and sent his horse along the climbing road at a pace which had never been exacted from that worthy animal before.

A mile upon their way the storm leaped upon them again. The sky was one cloud, the wind raved down from the lonely hills, the rain hissed in their faces, and churned upon the gravelly road, while ever and again the far-spreading moors were sheeted in blue spectral light, and the voice of the thunder lent its deeper note to the fierce cry of the wind. The turmoil around only fed Conyers' exultation. He could have shouted and sung as they strove against the wind. His little cousin was safe in his arms. He had snatched her from a miserable death, and from unknown perils. He was her sole protector and shelter, and he strained her closer and closer, trying to shield her from the storm, to breathe his own warm, quick-running life into her. Now and then, through his fever of excitement, a chill dart of fear struck him. She lay so cold, so still, so lifeless in his arms, and in the lightning glare he would try to see her face, and listen for the faint breath from the pale parted lips.

A gleam of lamps on wet pavements—Duncaird at last, which meant warm, dry wraps for the unconscious girl, a closed carriage, and fresh horses, the services of the doctor who had known her from childhood, and whom Conyers carried off with them, and not least—a moment to flash the amazing news to Stormonth. In the quiet town the story spread like wildfire, and the deserted streets awoke, windows opened, lights sprang up, and the carriage rolled away amid a running fire of cheers.

And now every swift roll of the wheels was bringing them nearer and nearer to that home-coming, which Conyers had been picturing through all the dark hours. Yet from the moment that the blaze of light from the great arched doorway dazzled his eyes it was all like a dream, a dream crowding faces, of smiling, weeping years, and broken words, for convention and discipline had been forgotten for the moment, and the whole household had thronged into the great hall to see Miss Isobel brought home.

As Conyers stepped in from the darkness without, his head high, his eyes alight, the girl in his arms, her slight figure swathed in a great crimson wrap, her head upon his breast, and the warm glory of her hair overflowing his shoulder, the men broke into a cheer, and the younger women burst into loud hysterical crying.

Amid it all Conyers was conscious that someone was wringing his hand, till, as he found afterwards, a bonny wench, while from a blurr of light a face appeared, transfigured from its gracious comeliness by motherjoy and mother-love to an angel-beauty, as Lady Stormonth bent over the waxen face on his breast, uttering broken inarticulate sounds of pity and tenderness like the brooding note of a mother bird. Then she stooped over the still unconscious girl her yearning love seemed to awaken some instinctive response, to touch one of nature's chords, which lie deeper than sense or sight, for a quiver passed over the pallid face, the long eyelashes, like the delicate arching brows, a shade darker than her hair, drooped from the waxen cheeks. She looked wonderingly up into the bosses and carving of the vaulted roof, and round at the old walls hung with the portraits of the men and women of her race, and decked with the armour and weapons which

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CARLILE.—The Friends of Mrs. JOHN CARLILE and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved HUSBAND; to leave his late residence, 157 Victoria-street North, at 2.30 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery, THIS DAY.

CARLILE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. WALLACE BARRACK are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved FATHER; to move for Waverley Cemetery, at 2.30 p.m., THIS DAY.

CARLILE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. OWENS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved FATHER; to move for Waverley Cemetery, at 2.30 p.m. THIS DAY.

CARLILE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. WALLY FORSYTH are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved FATHER; to leave his late residence, 157 Victoria-street, for Waverley Cemetery, at 2.30 p.m. THIS DAY.

CARLILE.—The Friends of Mr. WILLIAM HENRY CARLILE and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late dearly beloved BROTHER and UNCLE, John Carlile; to leave his late residence, 157 Victoria-street, Darlinghurst, THIS AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.

HAY.—The Friends of the late Mr. THOMAS DAVIDSON HAY are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to leave his late residence, Mascotte, Leicester-avenue, Strathfield, TO-MORROW (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, for the Independent Cemetery, Waverley.
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HENNESSY.—The Friends of Mrs. DENIS HENNESSY and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved HUSBAND and FATHER; to leave their residence, 123 George-street, Redfern, THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 8.45, for the Necropolis.
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KIDD.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. CAMPBELL KIDD are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved MOTHER, Mrs. Agnes Kidd; to leave their residence, 4 York-street, Forest Lodge, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Presbyterian Cemetery, Rookwood.
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LAMBERT.—The Friends of Mr. JOHN LAMBERT and are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Eliza Stray; to move from her late residence, Lambert Heights THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter past 1 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Sutherland, via Arncliffe, by 2.10 p.m. Grave from Sydney. CHAS. KINSELLA, Undertaker, Rockdale and 765 George-st, city. Tel., 203 and 6 Kog.

LAMBERT.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. HENRY C. KNIGHT, of Newtown, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved GRANDMOTHER; to leave her late residence, Lambert Heights, Arncliffe, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter past 1, for C. of E. Cemetery, Sutherland, via Arncliffe.

LAMBERT.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ARTHUR LEE, KNIGHT, of Erskineville, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved GRANDMOTHER; to leave her late residence, Lambert Heights, Arncliffe, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter past 1, for C. of E. Cemetery, Sutherland, via Arncliffe.

LAMBERT.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ERNEST SCHOFIELD, of King-st, Newtown, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved GRANDMOTHER; to leave her late residence, Lambert Heights, Arncliffe, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter past 1, for C. of E. Cemetery, Sutherland, via Arncliffe.

LAMPTON.—The Funeral of the late Mr. STEPHEN HERBORD LAMPTON will leave Walmer, Collingwood-street, Drummoyne, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for St. Thomas' Church of England Cemetery, Enfield, arriving there about 2 p.m.
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LOYD.—The Friends and Relatives of Mr. PHILIP H. LLOYD and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved WIFE and MOTHER; to leave their residence, 57 Yule-street, Petersham, THIS DAY, at 1.45 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.
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LOYD.—The Friends of Mrs. FREDERICK H. LLOYD and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved HUSBAND and FATHER; to leave his late residence, 175 Jones-street, Ultimo, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for the Necropolis.
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LEROUX.—A REQUIEM MASS will be celebrated at the Church of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Glandwick, THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 9.30, for the repose of the soul of the late GEORGE LEROUX. The Funeral will leave immediately after Mass for the Waverley Cemetery.
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SMITH.—The Friends of WILLIAM SMITH are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Rose Ann Smith; to move from her late residence, Wallwood, 97 Crown-street, Woollcomooloo, TO-DAY, at half-past 2 o'clock, Waverley Cemetery.
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SMITH.—The Friends of MARY SMITH are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved MOTHER, Rose Ann Smith; to move from her late residence, Wallwood, 97 Crown-street, Woollcomooloo, TO-DAY, at 2-past 2 o'clock, Waverley Cemetery.
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SMITH.—The Friends of Mrs. A. DORAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved DAUGHTER, Rose Ann Smith; to move from her late residence, Wallwood, 97 Crown-street, Woollcomooloo, TO-DAY, at half-past 2 o'clock, Waverley Cemetery.
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SMITH.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. DORAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved SISTER, Rose Ann Smith; to leave her residence, Wallwood, 97 Crown-street, Woollcomooloo, TO-DAY, at half-past 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.
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SMITH.—The Friends of BESSIE WHITE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved SISTER, Rose Ann Smith; to leave her residence, Wallwood, 97 Crown-street, Woollcomooloo, TO-DAY, at half-past 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.
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WILLIAMS.—The Funeral of HERBERT FRANK, the dearly loved SON of Mr. and Mrs. ERNEST WILLIAMS, of 22 Hof-street, Leichhardt, will take place THIS AFTERNOON, leaving their residence at 3 o'clock. Friends are kindly requested to take Funeral Train leaving Petersham station at 2.30.
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